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Car users at hospital still block the streets

STAFF at a Black Country hospital are continuing to clog surrounding streets with cars despite the opening of a new 691-space car park at the site, residents claim.

People living near Russells Hall Hospital, Dudley, say workers are blocking nearby roads with their cars for up to 12 hours at a time, leaving residents unable to park outside their own homes.

It had been hoped that the hospital's new £6 million staff car park, which opened in December, would help to resolve the problem of on-street parking.

But last week, residents claimed the multi-storey had not made any difference. At Brierley Hill Area Committee, they told councillors that vehicles were still being left in Poets Corner, Tennyson Street, Milton Street and Byron Street.

They want the council to be stricter on issuing parking tickets to Russells Hall workers causing problems in streets around the hospital. Dudley Council director of urban environment John Millar said he would look into the issue and contact the hospital.

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Insight into a glittering past

TALES of Stourbridge's waterways and their links to the town's world famous glass industry will be told by a renowned canal expert.

Writer and broadcaster Graham Fisher MBE will host a walking series — Jewels on the Cut. Walks will take place on April 30, May 22, June 25, July 24 and August 29.

Mr Fisher has also written a book to accompany the walks. For details or to book telephone 01384 812745.

Love in the air with cone's craftwork

VALENTINES-themed activities and exhibitions are at the Red House Glass Cone, High Street, Wordsley. Handcrafted glass, textiles, ceramics and jewellery — including silver core hand-made lampwork beads — created by resident artists are available until February 15.

Red House Glass Cone is open Monday-Sunday (10am-4pm), admission is free.

Plasterer found safe

A SELF-EMPLOYED plasterer from Quarry Bank who went missing has been found by police. Andrew Moore, aged 40, was last seen leaving his home at 6.30am last Thursday. He was found safe and well at 12.30pm on Saturday by officers from West Mercia Police in his car on the A491.

Slump in trade sees popular pub close



Happier days — former manager Paul Skitt outside The Thorns pub during more prosperous times at the popular Quarry Bank venue

A BLACK Country pub famed for its award-winning carvery has closed due to declining trade and spiralling costs.

The Thorns pub in Quarry Bank, which was also known for its brightly coloured rock star mural on one of its outside walls, has the shutters up.

Paul Skitt, who has run the pub since 2002, said the decision to close had not been taken lightly, but he had been left "between a rock and a hard place".

He said it was "heart-breaking" but he could not afford to keep the business open due to increased rents. "I have lost my own home and pumped every penny I have ever made into keeping the pub afloat. I want people to know the decision to close was not taken lightly."

"The brewery gave me the chance to get out of the lease and I had no alternative but to take it. The hardest thing was telling the staff the pub



The pub's rock legends mural featuring Elvis

was to close. There is not a part of that pub that I don't know.

"I have altered large parts of it myself over the years and to have to close it was just heart-breaking."

Mr Skitt thanked customers who had supported the pub.

He said he had been unable to negotiate a lower rent with owners Marston's

to compensate for a drop in trade caused by the economic climate. He said the rent had soared to £55,000 per annum and was dealt a second blow when yearly business rates on the pub, set by Dudley Council, rocketed to £30,000.

Mr Skitt said: "The pub was at its highest period of success in 2007 and 2008 and at the time the brewery

asked for a higher level of rent. "However, when the economic situation started to bite and there was a fall off in trade, it declined to review the amount and bring it to a lower, more sustainable level."

"Unfortunately the instalments were not met and with regret we have no choice but to reclaim the pub and begin the search for new licensees to take it on."

The Thorns' awards included Best Pub, Best Eating Place and Best Small Concert Venue in the Chronicle sister paper's Express & Star Spotlight Awards in 2008.

The pub also won praise for its rock legend mural.

IT'S A GIFT!

Mystery benefactor buys £37,500 coach as school funds stretched

By JON PRITCHARD

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A MYSTERY benefactor has stumped up £37,500 so that a Dudley school can buy a much-needed coach.

The Brier School in Kingswinford, which deals with special needs pupils, was struggling to fund hire fees and was on the verge of cutting back on its transport service.

Staff had applied to the Variety Club Midlands charity to help fund funding for a Sunshine Coach

early last year and expected a long wait for a new vehicle. The charity normally takes two years to raise funds from corporate and individual sponsors.

But a Variety Club benefactor, who wishes to remain anonymous, felt so strongly about the cause the donation was made in a single gift.

The specially-adapted Sunshine Coach will save the school around £6,000 a year in hire fees — funds which now will be used for the benefit of the children.

Head teacher Russell Hinton said: "We're thankful for the very generous

donation. It's given the school a real lift. It will be great to have such a versatile coach."

The school, in Bromley Lane, accommodates 144 children aged four to 16 who have moderate learning difficulties and complex communication issues.

Concern

Some pupils are wheelchair users. The 17-seater coach was presented to the school on Tuesday, and will be used to provide access to colleges and

courses off site. It has wheelchair access through a tail-lift. The school previously leased two coaches from Dudley Council, but this was proving to be impractical and expensive, and the possibility of having to axe one of the coaches was a concern.

The new coach will be used for extra-curriculum trips and also to transfer pupils to local colleges, helping them to return to mainstream education.

Mr Hinton said: "The money that we save will be put straight back into the school and used for the benefit of the children. The coaches are an integral part of our work in transferring pupils to colleges and on extra-curricular

trips. The needs of the children change all the time, so a coach that can change with them will be a massive help."

Variety Club Midlands is a charity dedicated to helping sick, disabled and disadvantaged children in the region. It has presented more than 50 coaches worth more than £1.5m during the past five years.

Since being established in 1962, The nationwide Variety Club has donated some 5,000 Sunshine Coaches to deserving causes.

It is understood the head knows who has made the gift, but is unaware of any local connections the benefactor may have.

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Let me assist you, Black Country MP urges businesses

A BLACK Country MP has urged businesses in the Black Country to contact him about how the Government can help them thrive.

James Morris, Conservative MP for Halesowen and Rowley Regis, is calling for an urgent debate on the importance of supporting industry to help the region compete.

He said: "I want to hear from local businesses as to how the Government can help them."

Innovation

"Whether this is through cutting unnecessary regulations, simplifying the tax system for small businesses or bringing new jobs to the Black Country."

"The Black Country has faced below average growth and high unemployment for too long. We need to create jobs in Halesowen and Rowley Regis and across the Black Country by supporting our long history of industrial innovation and enterprise, particularly in manufacturing."

Tenants face biggest rent rise in decade despite Labour protests

RENTS are to rise by an average 6.7 per cent for thousands of tenants in Dudley. It is the biggest increase in almost a decade for residents of the borough's 24,000 council homes.

The increase ranges from £3.50 to more than £5.50 a week, with more than three quarters of tenants having to find at least £4 extra a week. The move is expected to bring in £5.2million.

Dudley Council will be allowed to keep only £1.4m, with the balance going to the Government. The higher charges will be imposed from April if they are given the go-ahead by the council's cabinet.

Council leaders say the increase was calculated using the central Government's formula based on inflation and the size and value of council properties. But a Labour councillor representing one of the borough's poorest areas has accused the authority of leaving the poorest residents "high and dry".

Castle and Priory ward's Councillor Ken Finch said: "I think these increases are disgusting. There must be a way to help."

"It leaves the less well-off in the borough high and dry. Some of them are going to have to find an extra £20 to £25 a month, which is going to hit them hard."

Flexibility

"We all know times are hard but I can't imagine there isn't something the council could do to help. Council homes are supposed to be affordable, and they are becoming the opposite."

The Tory-controlled cabinet's member for housing, Councillor David Simms, vowed to freeze the rents next year if new rules made it possible.

"My hands are bound in this case - if it were up to me we would not be increasing rent by this much while everyone is experiencing such difficulties financially," he said.

"A new system will hopefully be introduced later this year which allows for more flexibility and places more control in the hands of local authorities."

"If that is in place by this time next year I will be looking to freeze rents."

Other planned increases include service charges at the council's 344 sheltered housing schemes, which are set to rise by 10 per cent to a new weekly charge of £9.78, and laundry tokens for residents living in high-rise flats will be increasing by 4.6 per cent to £1.90.

Ancient market to get £6m facelift

DUDLEY'S ancient ailing market will be given a £6million facelift aimed at attracting more shoppers to the town. A bid for funding is being drawn up.

Stalls will be given a revamp and the ageing toilet block removed to create an unobstructed view across the town to Dudley Castle.

The town's 19th century fountain, which has fallen into disrepair, will also be restored to its former glory as part of the proposals being drawn up by Dudley Council.

A funding appeal for half of the £3m needed to get the project off the ground will be submitted to the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF).

Funding

The money will help council planners to finalise plans for the scheme, which are still in an early stage, in a bid to attract further funding.

Deputy Council deputy leader Councillor Les Jones said: "We need to secure the funding."

"We will then hold a consultation with the market traders."

Market trader David Flavell, aged 50, who has run his fruit and veg stall for 14 years, welcomed the news but said he feared it would not be enough to boost trade.

"If the council wants to boost trade we need free car parks and incentives to get the bigger shops in," he said.

Bid to save the Harriers

KIDDERMINSTER Harriers' fans have launched a desperate "save our club" campaign after a potential buyer pulled out of a deal at the 11th hour, claiming to buy it would be like "catching a falling knife".

The Kidderminster Harriers Football Club Independent Supporters' Trust (KHIST) said it believed the club was on the verge of administration.

Businessman Chris Swan, who had been on the brink of rescuing the cash-strapped Harriers, said he was "not comfortable" with the figures he had been given.

"The uncertainty would be like catching a falling knife," he said. Adi Harper, webmaster for KHIST, said the club urgently needs the support of fans and local community.

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It's flaming chips again for fireman's last shout

AFTER 30 years service, firefighter Jon Mucklow was more than prepared to tackle flames when his crew got an "emergency" call to a chippie.

But the shout to Ivan's Chip Shop, in Reddal Hill Road, Cradley Heath, was in fact a smokescreen for a surprise retirement party.

The Cradley crew commander was all smiles when he was instead treated to a fish and chip supper at the chippie in to mark his last shift with green watch.

Jon said: "This is amazing. I had no idea they were planning this. The station is only about 300 yards down the road, and I was worried we wouldn't get our breathing gear on before we pulled up outside. This is really good - they got me good and proper."

He was escorted on the call-out by colleagues Rudy Parkes, Scott Worton, Lee Gubbins, Chris Darby and Matt Haines with the blessing of senior bosses who arranged temporary cover for the fire station.

The former soldier, who declined to reveal his age, joined West Midlands Fire Service in 1988 after a spell in the Army which counts towards his uniform career service.

Skinner is frank on challenge

BLACK Country comedian Frank Skinner today spoke of his bid to help raise more than £1 million for Comic Relief.

Skinner, along with Stephen Fry, Jimmy Carr and Al Murray, are doing battle with their own limited edition Walkers crisps flavours, with 5p from every pack for the charity.

The comedian whose flavour raises the most money wins, while the losing three will be waxed in public by TV presenter Denise Van Outen.

Baggies fan Skinner, from Oldbury, whose flavour is Frank Roast Dinner, said: "The big upside of this is that Walkers will give five pence for every bag sold to Comic Relief. So, even though, inevitably, three of us will suffer horribly, we will change lives."

Daughter

Jon served with the Royal Engineers in Northern Ireland and Germany after signing up, aged 16, straight from school in Halesowen where he grew up.

Rudy, green watch commander, said: "Jon has been a true firefighter right to his last shift. He will be very hard to replace."

The father-of-two served at Highgate and Woodgate Valley stations, in Birmingham, before being promoted to Cradley 15 years ago.

Jon was joined at the party last week by wife Michaela, daughter Briony, aged 21, her partner Simon, 24, son Sam, 12, and two-week-old granddaughter Maisie.



Jon with family members, colleagues and chip shop staff



Jon Mucklow arrives at the surprise party



Wife Michaela greets her surprised husband

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Discount store to improve entrance

PROBLEMS at a Black Country traffic blackspot are poised to improve with the overhaul of a nightmare junction.

Drivers have been putting their lives at risk performing dangerous right-hand turns into the Lidl superstore in Blackheath from Archer Way after a central reservation was installed.

The reservation, put in when the store was built, has also led to tailbacks.

Now the discount chain is to team up with transport chiefs to change the layout, footing the bill of tens of thousands of pounds itself.

Blackheath councillor Mary Docker is among those who have been voicing her concerns to the Highways Department since Lidl opened.

Reviewed

Despite the central reservation being brought in to prevent cars from turning right into the store, motorists have continued to ignore the rules.

It is understood the scheme has been in the pipeline for a year and the costs of removing the reservation and realigning the access to the store to create a new right hand turn will not cost Sandwell Council taxpayers a penny.

Councillor Docker said: "Lidl have reviewed the current arrangements and the proposal is to remove the existing central reservation and realign the entrance to Park Street so that a right turn can be made into Park Street from Archer Way."

Ben is more than happy

SCHOOLBOY Ben Evans is reaching for the stars after landing the leading role in Lionel Bart's musical *Oliver!* at Wolverhampton's Grand Theatre.

The nine-year-old pupil at The Royal Wolverhampton School beat off the challenge of 40 other young hopefuls who were on the shortlist for the part.

The production by West Bromwich Operative Society is being staged from May 10-14.

Ben, from Stourbridge Road, Wombourne, has already been in six shows including *The Forbidden Planet* when it was at the Grand. Ben said: "I am over the moon at getting the part. I would have been delighted just to get any part."

Teenage lead-stripping thief preyed on elderly and vulnerable in overnight spree



Brett Wood, aged 18

A TEENAGE thief who stripped more than £1,500 worth of lead from elderly people's homes during an overnight stealing spree has been given a suspended prison sentence.

The 18-year-old "preyed on vulnerable victims" and left them facing bills of hundreds of pounds to replace the lead and fix the damage, a court heard.

Nine homes were targeted by Brett Wood. He got away with lead from seven of them.

Wood, of Sedgford Close, Brierley Hill, had been helped by a 17-year-old accomplice and a driver, Dudley Magistrates Court heard.

Magistrates chairman Mrs Barbara Sykes, told him: "This was a calculated series of thefts and there was a considerable number of victims."

Properties in Heath Farm Road, Belbroughton Road and Fredericks Close, Norton, Stourbridge, were targeted.

Police were called by residents who had heard noises on their roofs or had seen Wood ripping lead flashing from their homes at about 3am on January 4.

One piece of lead in the haul was 8ft long, said Miss Maxine Macintosh, prosecuting.

Stealing

Wood was also seen at about 8.30am loading the metal into a Vauxhall Nova in South Road, Stourbridge.

Miss Macintosh added: "He has preyed on elderly and vulnerable victims."

But Miss Diljit Bachada, defending, said Wood did not know he was stealing from elderly people.

She added: "This was an opportunistic crime." The 17-year-old, who cannot be named for legal reasons, will be sentenced on February 16 having pleaded guilty to the same charges.

Wood pleaded guilty to seven counts of theft and two of attempted theft. He also admitted cannabis possession.

He was handed a 12-week sentence suspended for 12 months, a 12-month community order, and told to complete 120 hours unpaid work in the community.

He must pay £641 compensation – a third of £1,923, the total value of damage caused and lead stolen.

Wood will also undergo 23 sessions on a Thinking Skills programme, including modules on "problem solving", "self-control" and "positive relationships".

Service is hit by weighty problem

MORE than £300,000 has been spent on specialised ambulance equipment to cope with the increasing number of obesity cases in the West Midlands.

West Midlands Ambulance Service has bought four specialist bariatric ambulances – vehicles with extra wide ramps and strengthened floors – to ferry the heaviest patients around.

Figures released under the Freedom of Information Act reveal the vehicles can cost up to £90,000 each.

They are equipped with a double-width trolley stretchers, which cost up to £10,000 each and are able to support patients weighing up to 50 stone.

Cushions

They also feature hoists and inflatable lifting cushions, which cost around £2,500.

If the ambulances have their tail-lifts reinforced, that costs an additional £800. Meanwhile, standard ambulances are being equipped with heavy-duty wheelchairs, stretchers and lifting cushions.

Ambulance trusts across the country are facing a similar expense. Every ambulance trust in England, Northern Ireland, Wales and Scotland has confirmed the changes. Jo Weber, director of the Ambulance Service Network, said ambulance bosses had been left with no option.

Toddler loses his battle

A CRADLEY Heath boy has lost his 17-month battle with leukaemia.

Noah Messer died at his home in Harcourt Road, aged two, with his parents John and Naomi at his bedside.

Noah suffered from acute myeloid leukaemia and despite a bone marrow transplant, chemotherapy and radiotherapy his condition was diagnosed as terminal.

Noah, described as "inspirational" died on January 23. The funeral was on Monday at Regis Christian Fellowship in Hanover Road, Rowley Regis, at 12.30pm.

Hospital car park short on spaces, claims union

DUDLEY'S main hospital is 200 car parking spaces short of the minimum number it needs for workers following controversial changes, union officials fear.

Unison says there are not enough spots for all of the staff who would qualify for a parking pass at Russells Hall Hospital.

But the hospital trust, which runs the site, said it was still assessing how many spaces were required. Bosses are now arranging meetings with staff to get their

views next month. Passes will then be issued to staff according to new criteria.

Assessments will include how far workers live from the site and how often they need to use their car during the course of the working day.

There are 1,123 staff spaces at the site including 691 at the multi-storey car park.

More than 3,000 workers had applied for permits for Russells Hall and the Guest Hospitals in Dudley and the Corbett Hospital in Stourbridge.

All applicants have been granted temporary access to the car parks while arrangements are finalised.

But Unison representative Tracy Wood said she had been told there was a shortfall of 200 spaces and bosses were being forced to rethink the new arrangements.

"I have been told they are 200 spaces short for the staff so at the moment it is still free for all," she said.

Dudley Group of Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust chief executive Paula Clark, said: "We are carrying out capacity exercises on different days over a number of weeks to assess what the requirement is."

"When we have finished this exercise we will then be able to consider any shortfall."

Regulations

The new parking arrangements were thrown into chaos after private firms, which run some hospital services, said they would not be able to apply the new rules to their workers.

Bosses are still working to resolve the issue.

The hospital trust says it has been forced to restrict parking spaces to one for every four workers due to council regulations when it applied for planning permission to build the new multi-storey in 2008.

Centro budget slashed by £3m

MORE than £3 million is to be slashed off the budget for public transport this year, Centro, which was set up by the councils of the West Midlands to oversee public transport and pay for travel for pensioners and the disabled, will see its budget cut from £153.7m to £150.7m in 2011-12.

Bosses are now trying to bring in savings including cutting the £12.4m a year cost of running Ring and Ride services for the elderly and disabled by £930,000.

Disused house set to be razed

A HOUSE just yards from Broadfield House Glass Museum in Kingswinford will be demolished to make way for a new housing development.

The house, off Barnett Lane, is derelict with an overgrown garden and only accessible by using a dirt track.

Developer Kendrick Homes was successful in gaining permission to tear down the disused property and clear the site. In its place, six four-bedroom houses will be built. A number of mature trees and

part of an existing boundary wall will be retained.

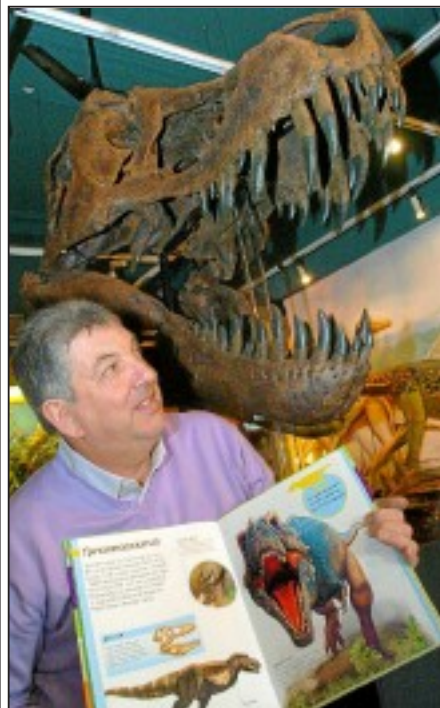
Councillors had insisted that clauses were inserted into the planning permission to make sure that the trees and the wall were protected.

Listed

Planning committee member Councillor Geoffrey Southall said the wall gave the area "character" and "should not be taken down for the sake of it."

The Grade II listed museum sits to the north of the site.

Museum's T-rex skullduggery



Operations manager John Billingham with the new tyrannosaurus rex head casting

THE terrifying T-rex has been brought to life at a new exhibition in Dudley.

Sixty-five million years after the dinosaur walked the earth, a 7ft-long replica has roared into the Black Country.

Curators at Dudley Museum and Art Gallery found the cast of a skull fossil in a Cambridge warehouse.

The cast had been taken from a famous skeleton discovered by archaeologists in 1987, in South Dakota, America.

It is nicknamed Stan after amateur fossil hunter Stan Sacrison who made the discovery. Curators spent £4,800 on acquiring the model thanks to a legacy left in the will of former museum officer Jane Carney. It will take centre-stage at the entrance to the museum, in St James's Road, Dudley.

The museum's operations manager John Billingham says the model will be the centrepiece of a new display on dinosaurs.

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Council chief's plea to investors

GUIDELINES aimed at breathing new life into the centre of Quarry Bank and creating two "landmark" buildings have been drawn up.

Enhancing High Street, creating a distinctive local area and improving safety are key points of the Quarry Bank Local Centre Regeneration Plan.

Turning the plans into reality will depend on private investors coming in to help fund the changes.

The document includes plans to improve car parking and cycling facilities, and introduce CCTV cameras. It also identifies two key sites which council officials think are ripe for redevelopment.

Framework

The first is on High Street and adjoining sections of Sheffield Street which could offer "opportunities for a landmark building with a new public square."

The other site is at the entrance to the High Street which the report says also has potential to be redeveloped into a "landmark" building.

Councillor Les Jones, cabinet member for regeneration and deputy leader, said he hoped developers would take a look at how the council would like to see Quarry Bank developed.

"The council has put together a framework and people can look at it and see that is the direction of travel we want to go in."

"Our local centres are communities in their own right and have long term futures. I hope investors have a look at these plans."

Go-ahead for lighting

LIGHTING is to be installed around a new outdoor gym in Netherton despite a resident threatening to take Dudley Council to the Local Government Ombudsman.

Plans were submitted to light up the healthy hub and outdoor gym in Netherton Park. Nearby Greaves Road resident Gordon Smith, 72, claimed the gym had become a hangout for yobs who were drinking and causing antisocial behaviour into the night.

"We are decent people and do not deserve this," he said. He also claimed previous planning applications about the healthy hub buildings in the park had not been put out to proper consultation.



Colonel Mike Smith, OBE, who has landed a top military air accident investigation post

Top Army post for colonel with fond memories of town school

A TOP soldier brought up in Stourbridge has been put in charge of setting up a body to investigate all British military air accidents.

Mike Smith, aged 43, who was awarded the OBE in the New Year Honours list and has just been promoted to colonel, went to school at Stourbridge's Old Swinford Hospital, and says he launched into his career in the Army after being inspired by his time in the school's Combined Cadet Force.

Col Smith, who has been a helicopter pilot as well as commanding a regiment in Iraq and Afghanistan, is now based in Farnborough, Hampshire, where he is in the process of setting up the Military Air Accident Investigation Branch.

"We will be responsible for investigating every accident involving an aircraft from the army, navy or RAF. This means that we need to be prepared and ready to deploy to places like Afghanistan," he said.

"I will have a small team of about 20 people and will be able to call upon other technical experts. The accidents may sometimes be really minor – but even something relatively insignificant can teach us valuable lessons."

Infantry

Col Smith, whose parents Vernon, a 77-year-old retired steel company director, and Patsy live in Pedmore, recalls fondly his schooldays at Old Swinford Hospital, where much of his time was devoted to the

Combined Cadet Force and playing rugby.

"It was part of something quite rooted in my ambitions – I was remarkably blinkered and single-minded I wanted to join the Army," he said.

He enrolled for officer training at Sandhurst in 1985 and, after being commissioned, spent nine years in the infantry before being seconded to the Army Air Corps. Col Smith, whose brother, Rob, aged 47, is a member of the Fleet Air Arm, qualified as a helicopter pilot in 1995.

Before his recent promotion, the father of three was a lieutenant colonel in charge of 1 Regiment Army Air Corps, serving in Iraq during 2009 and Afghanistan in 2010.

His military OBE was awarded for his role on operational tours.

Dental surgery closure orders

ONE-THIRD of community dental surgeries run by NHS Dudley have drilled their last tooth and closed for good as part of cost-cutting plans to transfer services.

Hundreds of patients using the services at Wordsley Green Health Centre, Coseley Health Centre and Family Centre and the Limes Medical Centre, Lye, are being sent letters informing them of the move.

The trust, which formerly ran nine clinics in the borough, has offered alternative treatment at one of its more modern clinics at Stourbridge, Brierley Hill or Sedgley.

Health bosses have reassured patients that plans to examine closing a further two clinics in Netherton and The Greens, Old Park Farm, were now on the back-burner.

NHS Dudley's Rebecca Marsden said: "The clinics at Wordsley Green, Coseley and The Limes have all now closed."

"Letters have been sent out so that patients are notified, and offering them treatment at one of our other surgeries."

"There are currently no plans to close the surgeries in Netherton or The Greens."

A report says while both clinics only offered one surgery a week, they served areas without many other dental services nearby.

Hospice aid from Cowell

A BLACK Country hospice is set to benefit from a radio appeal which has been launched by X Factor judge and children's hospices UK patron Simon Cowell.

The Have a Heart appeal, organised by Heart FM, will help 28 children's hospices in the UK – including Acorns, which cares for 600 children at its three hospices in Walsall, Worcester and Birmingham.

The appeal week from February 28-March 4 aims to provide each hospice with a Mini car and funding. Details are on www.heart.co.uk/heartave.

£900,000 scanner is NHS tonic at hospital

THOUSANDS of patients are to benefit from a new MRI machine which will slash waiting times at Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital.

The hi-tech scanner, which is costing £914,000 and which is larger than the machine currently used by the hospital, will provide faster scans and more accurate diagnoses.

It has been welcomed by hospital governor Councillor Steve Waltho who said it was "marvellous news" for patients, who will not have to wait so long for their tests.

Staff say it will enable them to see more patients in a shorter timescale.

The Magnetic Resonance Imaging scanner, which will be installed at the hospital later this year, will be housed in a new suite.

Two chillers supplying air conditioning to keep the machine cool will also be installed at a cost of £72,000.

The hospital trust has applied to Dudley Council for permission to erect the equipment.

Magic of Mardi Gras

YOUNGSTERS can have a taste of festivals held in countries across the globe at a four-day event being staged at a north Worcestershire museum.

South American carnivals, Chinese New Year and the Hindu and Sikh festival of Holi will be explored at Hartlebury Museum, near Kidderminster, from February 22 to 25. Young visitors will be able to make their own head-dresses, paint celebration masks and craft ornamental lamps. Admission is £4.50 for adults, £2.50 for children and a family ticket costs £12.

ment within the hospital grounds. It is anticipated the new scanner will be operational later this year.

Councillor Waltho added: "This is marvellous news for patients."

"Anything that helps to reduce waiting times and enables patients to be treated sooner, can only be beneficial."

Chief executive Paula Clark said the trust would be obtaining the scanner under its PFI contract with Summit Healthcare.

Computer

"The scanner will provide faster quality imaging and more accurate diagnoses and with 33 per cent more space around the patient, it will also reduce the claustrophobic feeling some people experience," she said.

Superintendent radiographer Tim Wicker said: "Faster imaging on the new scanner will allow certain routine scans to be performed in a shorter time interval."

"This will allow more patients to be scanned and further reduce waiting lists."

The hospital trust will also spend £8.7m replacing worn-out medical instruments over the next three years, including ultrasound machines and diagnostic equipment.

Russells Hall bosses are also spending almost £3.6m upgrading the computer systems over the next three years. The work should help to save money by reducing paperwork.

Library looks east for New Year



Halesowen library assistant Kirsty Jenkins gets ready for the craft session

CARTOON-LOVING youngsters can get a taste of the Orient when Halesowen library gears up to welcome the Chinese New Year.

The Halesowen Young Person's Manga Group, set up for fans of the Japanese cartoons, will be holding a special craft session on Sunday, February 20, to celebrate the new Year of the Rabbit.

Library staff will be teaching the group how to draw their own cartoon rabbits in Manga style, and will continue the Asian theme by helping them create some tradi-

tional Chinese New Year decorations including banners. Members of the group, which include children and teenagers up to the age of 16, will also be able to read some of the library's collection of Manga comic books, and borrow some of the cartoons on DVD.

Library assistant Kirsty Jenkins said: "The group is always well attended, and they really enjoy it."

"We're looking forward to this craft session to celebrate the Chinese New Year."

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Owner's fears after shooting of pet cat



Alison Holden from Brockmoor with her cat Sparta which was shot in the leg

A CAT owner in Dudley says she is terrified to let her pet out the house after it was shot in the leg.

She is now calling on other residents to keep a close eye on their pets as she says police told her a second cat in the area was shot on the same day.

Alison Holden says that when her cat, called Sparta, arrived back at her home in Brockmoor, Brierley Hill, limping badly with blood on his fur, she thought he had been in a fight with another cat.

But when he was still limping a day later she decided to go to the vets where it was found he had been shot. The cat then had to undergo a £400 operation.

Suffering

Checkout assistant Mrs Holden, aged 43, of Briers Close, said: "They said the operation was quite complicated and if it didn't work he would have to have his leg amputated. Obviously I said yes to trying the operation as he is a very much loved cat."

"We got him back from the vets and despite looking very sorry for himself, having been shaved all down his side, with a row of stitches and the bullet hole now visible he is coming on OK."

Mrs Holden added: "I will now be terrified of letting him outside when he is better too, as the next time he could be killed. It's like this person has stolen £465 off me, and also my peace of mind for my cat, not to mention the suffering my cat has gone through."

Building work feeling pinch

GOVERNMENT cuts, the harsh winter and a lack of commercial capital have hit the West Midlands construction industry harder than most in Britain - with experts tipping more job cuts and gloom.

Figures released by the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) paint a grim picture of the final quarter of 2010.

A construction market survey revealed a 10 per cent rise in the number of surveyors predicting employment levels to fall in the region over the next 12 months. Government spending cuts mean both

public housing and non-housing sectors in the West Midlands were the hardest hit.

Nationally, material costs soared, with 56 per cent more surveyors reporting a rise in costs, up from 28 per cent during the previous three months.

The cost of labour fell, reflecting increased competition for jobs.

Adrian Aston, regional RICS spokesman, said:

"The bigger picture here is of an industry under significant pressure as public spending cuts begin to bite."

"There is little sign of a private sector recovery."

Revision of £12m housing plan wins backing from councillors

A NEW £12 million housing development will be built on a former Black Country drilling works after it was revealed the site was unlikely to be used for heavy industry again.

Revised proposals for a housing development on the old M & J Drilling Works, in Holloway Street, Lower Gornal, Dudley, were submitted by David Wilson Homes.

A previous application by the developer to build 76 homes on the site had already been turned down during a 12 month-long battle over the future of the site.

The new application for 74 houses was last week considered by planners who heard that the developer had agreed to pay almost £300,000 in contributions to

community projects and transport networks.

A report to the committee said "the site is most unlikely to come forward for employment development" and could be used for homes.

Ward members Councillor Anne Millward, council leader, and Councillor David Stanley, cabinet member for environment and culture, had both opposed the plan.

Retained

They raised concerns that the site was formerly used as landfill for the disposal of large battery packs, and feared future residents might complain about noise from a nearby industrial site.

Councillor Millward had maintained

the site should be retained for industrial use to help bring jobs to the area.

But committee chairman Councillor Tim Wright said he could see no more reasons to refuse the application.

"There are no objections," he said. "In fact one resident supports the application, the company has revised its plans and we will ensure proper plans are seen by the council to deal with possible contamination of the land."

"There are pockets of land like this all over the borough."

The committee formally agreed to back planning officers' recommendations to approve the plan.

M & J Drilling shut in 2008, and moved to Tipton's Coneygre Industrial Estate.

Talk on brave spy who was UK Schindler

PEOPLE can learn more about Stourbridge spy Frank Foley, who was known as the British Schindler, at a talk tonight (Thursday).

Major Foley, a passport officer in Berlin, helped to save the lives of thousands of Jews during the Second World War.

He bent the rules and forged papers to allow them to escape, sheltered people in his own home and even visited concentration camps to hand out visas.

Following his retirement he moved to Stourbridge where he lived until his death in 1958, aged 74. In 2004 a remembrance plaque was dedicated to him at the entrance to Mary Stevens Park, near his Eveson Road house.

Wordsley History Society will host the talk by The Rev Gary Ward at the Community Centre, Wordsley Green at 7.30pm. Entrance is £1.50.

Demands for answers over addresses mix-up

PARCELS, fridges and even a funeral firm turned up in the wrong place as part of a postal mix-up spanning 30 years. The confusion has seen unusual deliveries intended for Greenwood Avenue in Langley turn up in a road with the same name in Rowley Regis, and vice versa.

Jacqueline Adams, of Greenwood Avenue in Rowley Regis has endured the confusion for years and now wants some answers. She said she had even been sent a notice of outstanding poll tax and a fridge she had not ordered.

On one occasion, she said, traffic cones had been laid out on the street for a funeral when no-one there had passed away.

Miss Adams, aged 59, said: "If the funeral cones weren't for anyone here, someone must not have had them over in Langley. Over the summer I also had the electrician here and then two repair men from the council turned up and said they were here to do some plastering. I told them they had the wrong address. It's been going on for years."

"I've even had a hand delivered letter for outstanding poll tax, which you've got to ask how does this keep happening?"

"I don't like the idea of someone else getting my post, a stranger maybe opening up my phone bill or something with all my details on it. We've asked the council if they have had complaints but they said it was down to the sorting office in Birmingham."

Wrong

Grandmother-of-two Christine Ainge, a cleaner and Miss Adams' neighbour, added: "A while ago some people turned up saying they were here to do a window repair for my house."

"I was trying to persuade them for ages I'd not ordered anything to do with the windows, but they were convinced because they had the postcode down, but it was wrong."

Retired steelworker Gerald Beach said he had seen the wrong porch repaired.

In a letter to Mrs Adams Sandwell Council said it had contacted the local sorting office which had reported no problems with the mail.

Half-term fun with Thomas

A POPULAR tourist attraction in Staffordshire is gearing up to reopen for half-term. Drayton Manor Theme Park's Thomas Land attraction, along with the on-site 15-acre zoo, will reopen to the public from Saturday, February 19.

Thomas Land is home to 12 rides and attractions based on loveable characters, including Cranky the Crane and Harold the Helicopter, featured in the hit children's television series Thomas and Friends.

Poppy Appeal a record-breaker

A BLACK Country branch of the Royal British Legion is celebrating after raising a record-breaking total during the Poppy Appeal.

More than £31,000 has been generated by the Kingswinford branch.

It beats last year's sum of £28,000 despite the economic downturn.

Appeal organisers say support has increased since the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq.

The amount raised includes a £500 donation from Covanta Energy of Pensnett Trading Estate with a further £200 donated by their staff.

Kingswinford Poppy Appeal organiser, Alan Barratt said: "This is a tremendous achievement. My thanks go to supermarkets, businesses and traders, and the Merry Hill Centre."

"We must not forget also our members and helpers who gave many hours of their time selling poppies, the Kingswinford Air Cadets the poppy walkers and anyone else who helped."

The Kingswinford branch wants new members. Visit the branch HQ in Summerhill, Kingswinford, or call 01384 287312.

Museums offer some crafty fun



Museum assistant Amy Clarke promotes the Sticky Saturday event across Dudley

YOUNGSTERS have been getting to grips with some new crafts at sessions being held in Dudley.

Sticky Saturday, a family craft club, is held regularly at different museums around the borough every month.

There are three sessions a month, with each site - Broadfield House Glass Museum, Kingswinford, Red House Glass Cone, Wordsley, and Dudley Museum and Art Gallery - running an activity one Saturday each month.

Dudley Council spokeswoman Jessica Haines said no booking was needed at the activities. "Families can just drop in and take part in a craft, which has a different theme every month," she said.

"The sessions are free and families don't even have to tidy up after themselves."

Last Saturday's event was at Broadfield House Glass Museum in Kingswinford. Sessions run between 1.30pm and 3.30pm.

This Saturday (February 12) the fun will be at Dudley Museum and on February 19, the Red House Glass Cone.

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Group's £500 for hospice

A TIPTON volunteer group raised more than £500 for a Black Country hospice. Tibbington Lights Theme raised £525 over a series of collections during December and gave all the proceeds to the Compton Hospice near Wolverhampton. Members of the group, which has been running for the past five years, collected on the street, at the Asda supermarket in Great Bridge and Wednesbury's Morrisons store.

Half-term fun at centre

FOOTBALL, basketball, craft workshops and a roller disco have been lined up as part of a packed programme of half-term activities for youngsters in Stourbridge. The sessions, at Crystal Leisure Centre kick off on February 21 with a roller disco at 1.30pm. Gymnastics will be held on February 23 and arts and craft sessions on February 24. A 50 per cent discount will be given to under-16s who join sports classes.

Hidden cabling hitch for recycling centre

Urgent appeal by charity shop

A CHARITY shop in Dudley has launched an urgent appeal for new donations after the store's manager said it was the quietest spell she had seen in the 18 years she had been there.

The Cancer Research shop in Castle Street is on the look-out for an array of good quality items but is most in need of women's clothing, shoes and handbags.

Manager Susan Guest said: "I have been here 18 years and have never seen it so bad. I don't know whether it is the recession and that people are hanging on to things."

She added: "We would urge people to have a look in their wardrobes and if there is anything at all they have which is of a good quality and that they don't want we would be happy to receive it so we can sell it for a good cause."

Donations can be made at the shop between 9am and 5pm.



Cancer Research shop manager Susan Guest is urgently appealing for donations

WORK has started on a £1 million recycling depot being built on the site of a former BT building.

Dudley Council is building it on vacant land between Blowers Green Road and the Dudley Southern Bypass.

It will deal with cans, plastics, bottles, paper and cardboard. Work started after planning permission was secured last year. However, the project had to be amended, with a second planning application submitted last week.

Council spokesman Chris Howes said: "We already have planning permission for a mobile office, which now needs to be amended to accommodate an unforeseen underground cable."

The depot will relieve congestion at the current Lister Road base as well as allowing the council to collect extra material in future.

Work, due to end in spring, comes part-way through a trial of plastic and cardboard recycling in parts of the borough which may be rolled out if it is a success. About 11,000 homes are taking part in a scheme launched last September and running until April.

Football club in search to sign up physiotherapist

DUDLEY Town FC is looking for a team physio. People can either have previous training in physiotherapy or receive on-the-job training. Basic first aid qualifications are a must.

The non-league side plays its games at The Dell Stadium, in Bryce Road, Brierley Hill. Call club chairman Stephen Austin on 07412 046050 or first team manager Neil Perks on 07912 148279 for details

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Anger after village is left without new bins

Drama group is on the lookout

A CHARITY drama group set up to increase the confidence of people with mental illness is looking for new members.

The Dudley Rethink Act Up Theatre Company, set up by mental health charity Rethink, is hoping to recruit people with mental illness or who care for someone with a mental illness.

The group has been running for 17 years but currently has just seven members. They write all their own scripts based on personal experiences.

Changes

Mental health recovery worker Sarah Winchurch said: "We really want some more members. The theatre group is part of a package of recovery for our clients, and it helps them with their confidence and socialisation."

Miss Winchurch said the current performance was entitled "Reasonable Adjustments", and focused on the changes firms have to make to help someone who is disabled or who had a mental illness. Rethink is based in King Street, Dudley - call Miss Winchurch on 01384 869898.



Volunteer Robert Jones with Rethink users and drama group members Samuel Sunderland, David Dickinson, and mental health worker Sarah Winchurch

A VILLAGE High Street has been without litter bins for two months following a £900,000 revamp sparking fury among residents and traders.

Kinver High Street businesses are putting out their own bins to stop rubbish being thrown down, making the village look untidy.

Traders say they are furious bins were not installed despite renovation of the High Street being finished in mid-November. South Staffordshire District Council said bins and cycle parks would arrive in the next fortnight.

The council say they had been made to order which had taken the extra time. They will be colour-coded with some for regular rubbish and other for recyclable litter.

Sarah Jolly, of The Butchery, High Street, said: "This is the latest in a catalogue of problems along the High Street. I have not heard one single person say a good thing about the renovation yet."

"The issue with the bins is just terrible. What is the point of these improvements to make the village look good if there is nowhere for people to put their litter?"

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"We have taken to putting our own bin outside so people have a place where they can put their rubbish. It is just unfathomable why this has not already been done."

Resident Bob Clarke said: "The works took more than 10 months to finish. Why couldn't these bins have been made during this time so they would have been ready?"

"Even if that had not been possible, we are two months removed from these works being finished."

Council spokesman Jamie Angus said: "The bins and cycle parks will be installed in the next two or three weeks."

"They had to be put on order which is why there has been a slight delay. But they have been delivered and a date is being arranged with Staffordshire County Council engineers to install them."

Several traders had a big drop in profits, during the revamp work and some closed, including accessory store Bags 'n' Things, in January last year.

Villagers said that black asphalt at one end spoiled the look of the village.

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Gemma Simmer, centre, with, from left, Tivdale FC secretary Robert Poole, Carl Bottley, John Gwinell, Martin Barnsley, all from Netherton Colts, and Teenage Cancer Trust fundraiser Craig Burchell, at Tivdale Football Club

TWO Black Country football clubs and a manufacturing firm joined forces to raise £1,400 for a teenage cancer charity.

More than 120 people enjoyed a night of comedy and tales of football's bygone era to bring in cash for the Teenage Cancer Trust.

The night was organised by GM Steels, in Dudley Road West, Tivdale, Oldbury.

The firm which has run successful charity nights over the years enlisted the help of Tivdale FC and Netherton Colts under-15s for the latest event. Ex-Liverpool player Joey Jones was guest

speaker at the club's event in November, alongside comic Leslie Gibson. And the firm's boss John Gwinell, aged 53, of Dudley, said the comedy night had been a huge success.

"We hadn't done an event for a while so thought it would be a good to revive one for such a worthy cause," he said.

The money raised was presented to the charity last Monday by Gemma Simmer, aged 21, from Dudley, who had been in remission for five years after suffering Hodgkin's Disease. Gemma is a relative of one of the footballers.

AN assistant stage manager is needed to help stage a Midland fundraising concert. The MUSICA 11 event, in aid of Clent's Sunfield School, has been lined up for July 30 by Belbroughton couple Roger and Gaye Hadley.

A host of artists including Italian pianist Antonio-Pompa-Baldi and his wife Emanuela Friscioni will perform with Kingswinford's Gentlemen Songsters Male Voice Choir.

Lighting and sound crew have already been signed up. But an assistant stage manager is still needed for the event at Church Farm in Bradford Lane, Belbroughton.

Talent

Mrs Hadley said: "We do hope someone who is either an experienced stage manager, or who is learning the role, would give a little of their time to help MUSICA 11 be a success."

"We are sure there is someone with talent out there who could help us."

To help call Mrs Hadley on 07527 214946 or visit www.musica11.com

Ahead of the event, a fundraising dinner is being held at The Talbot in Belbroughton on Monday, March 14. Tickets cost £25 each and are available by calling Mrs Hadley.

Training studio plan approved

A RETROSPECTIVE planning application for offices to become a personal training studio have been approved.

Dudley Council's development control committee agreed the site in Lawnswood Road, Wordsley, had not been changed greatly from its original use and had sufficient parking.

Let us pay as church helps out charities

HAGLEY churchgoers gave more than £10,000 to charities in the last year.

A total of £4,000 was donated through St Saviour's Church's outreach programme, including £1,200 to a programme to pay for eight children around the world to have surgery for cleft palates.

Donations also included £1,300 for the Farmers' Overseas Action Group and money to support families coping with Aids, domestic violence and poverty in Uganda, the Midlands Air Ambulance, and the Three Roses Home for people with Down's Syndrome in Clent. Just over £1,000 was raised to help the people of Haiti, and £462 was collected for victims of the Pakistan floods.

Other charities helped included Lord Cobham's Worcestershire Youth Cricket Trust, the British Legion, the Children's Society, Acorn's Children's Trust, the Bishop Simeon Trust and a project to finance a child's education in Malawi.

House now in different style

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Tesco flagship to trial services



An artist's impression of how the new £27 million flagship Tesco store at Burnt Tree Island, Dudley, would look once completed

A HAIR salon, nail bar and even a gymnasium could be created inside a flagship new £27 million Tesco supermarket to be built in the Black Country, it has been revealed.

The supermarket giant has released an artist's impression of how the new store near Burnt Tree Island, Dudley, will look. The store is of a modern design with wood panelling across the building and large inset windows.

A row of glass panels will run along one side of the building to let in more natural light so only a minimum of electrical light has to be used. There are also glass panels

on the roof of the building and there are plans to create a car park beneath the building linked to the store by an escalator as well as ground-level parking spaces.

But the new store will not include the landmark clock tower of the previous Tesco store on the site. It will be a "concept store" including elements never tried by the chain before.

Autumn

It could include a hair salon or gym which, if successful, would then be rolled out to other stores across the country. A final decision on what would be included in the Dudley store will not be made for

another month at least. Construction is scheduled to begin in late April or early May with completion due in the autumn.

The supermarket giant said its aim was to have the new store up-and-running by Christmas. The site, on the Town Gate Retail Park, is currently being cleared following demolition of the previous 18-year-old Tesco store.

Work to clear the site is expected to take around 10 weeks.

Manager of the old Dudley store Peter Vinnicombe said: "Its size and design will allow us to experiment with new concepts which we have not been able to do before."

People to have say on take-aways

PEOPLE in Sandwell can voice their opinions on hot-food take-aways as part of a special survey into the growing problems of obesity and poor diets.

Sandwell Council has started an online survey asking people for their views on fast food and hot food takeaways in the borough.

They will be asked to comment on a number of issues including

their perceptions about hot food takeaways in the borough and how far they might want to purchase fast food.

Sandwell Council cabinet member for jobs and economy Councillor Ian Jones, said: "With our busy lives these days, it is all too easy to forget about the healthier options and just grab a

eat take-away food. We are just trying to get the balance right."

As an incentive to take part all completed entries will be entered into a prize draw with the winner receiving a month's free membership to Sandwell Leisure Trust, a £10 Tesco Voucher and a £30 Argos Voucher.

The survey can be found at www.sandwell.gov.uk/takeaways.

Craft sessions are on the cards

A NEW Dudley arts and crafts group has been launched.

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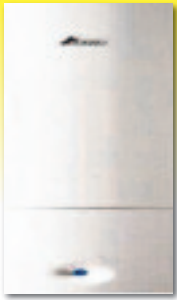
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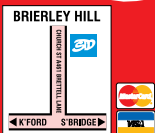
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Holiday hell family's battle for settlement

Hall helps with Big Day plans

WOULD-BE brides – and grooms – have been getting plenty of tips for their Big Day at Himley Hall's bridal fair.

The event on Sunday included exhibitions of cakes, cars, photography and dresses.

There were also a number of fashion shows.

Dudley Council spokesman Chris Howes said: "Himley Hall is the perfect setting to begin making those choices for all the important parts of a wedding day."



Jennifer Dunn, aged 21, models one of the bridal dresses which was featured at the show

LEGAL action has been launched by a Sandwell family struck down by a gastric illness at a Turkish hotel.

Heather and Frederick Jones, of Tipton, her daughter Heidi Rhodes, of Wednesbury, and her three children stayed at the Holiday Village Hotel, Sarigerme, in 2008. Hundreds of people say they suffered diarrhoea, stomach cramps and abdominal pain and are now set to claim damages.

Solicitors Irwin Mitchell claim the hotel has been at the centre of four outbreaks of illness in four years.

The company filed court papers on behalf of 337 people earlier this week.

Heidi Rhodes, an administration supervisor, and her family spent more than £5,000 on the two-week sunshine break in August 2009.

The 33-year-old mother of three said: "When we first got there it looked fantastic but after 48 hours it turned into a nightmare holiday from hell."

Negotiations

"I still suffer with irritable bowel syndrome today."

Heidi had severe cramps, and while her eldest child Leah Rhodes, now aged 11, escaped unscathed, her seven-year-old twins, Haydn and Chloe Collins, were ill.

She said she would also like to get the family's money back for their holiday operator, First Choice.

Clive Garner, head of the travel law team at Irwin Mitchell, said that while 103 of the original 440 holidaymakers have accepted compensation, 337 had no option but to take action in court.

First Choice spokeswoman Louise Evans said: "Our legal team are engaged in ongoing negotiations with the law firm in order to resolve this issue amicably."

Library advice sessions on switch-over to digital telly

TWO events will be held in the Dudley borough next month to give advice on the digital TV switchover.

Council officers will be at Sedgley Library on March 4 and Gornal Library on March 8, between 10am and 2pm both days, to explain what will happen. The region's switchover starts on March 30.

Laughter and music as stars prepare to dazzle

New shop proves popular

SHOPPERS in Halesowen have a new chance for bargain hunting after a new Salvation Army charity shop opened its doors.

The branch is in Hagley Street and bosses say it has already proved a hit with members of the public.

Manager Christopher Scott said: "We've been very busy getting the shop ready for a while now and the response from local residents has been fantastic."

Team

"People have been regularly popping by, keen to see what's going on and how they can help. We've also had some very generous donations from locals including some lovely gift sets that were unwanted Christmas presents so we're absolutely thrilled."

"We hope that now we're open the local community will enjoy shopping here."



Sales assistant Ishamar Guy and store manager Christopher Scott at the shop



Jason Manford Jimmy Carr Ken Dodd

STARS of stand-up and a mixture of musicians are among acts booked to dazzle audiences in a new season of entertainment unveiled for Dudley.

Funnymen Jimmy Carr and Jason Manford will be among those at Dudley Concert Hall.

And there is also live music from renowned choirs, songs from the shows and tribute concerts included in the top line-up at venues across the borough.

Dudley's own king of comedy Lenny Henry kicked off the season last week with his latest stage show Cradle to the Grave.

And there will be more laughs when Irish comic and TV panel show regular Ed Byrne brings his latest show Crowd Pleaser to the town's concert hall on March 11.

He features on television shows Mock the Week and Have I Got News For You.

Meanwhile, tickling sticks will be at the ready to get audiences rolling in the aisles when Ken Dodd makes his return to the Black Country for his Happiness Show on March 19.

Former One Show host Jason Manford will be visiting Dudley for a two-night run on April 8-9. He was

caught up in controversy last year following allegations about his private life.

The comedy will continue when Jimmy Carr, with his Laughter Therapy tour, hits the concert hall on June 22.

As well as acts from the national comic circuit, home-grown Black Country comics will also be taking a wry look at life in the region.

The Black Country Comedy Show tour presents May Contain Nuts on March 4. It features the talents of the Fizzog Theatre Company and Barbara Nice for the sketch and music show at Stourbridge Town Hall, within the Crown Centre.

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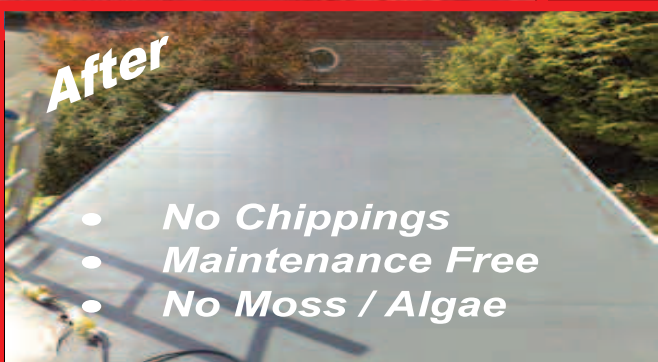
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New to the West End

Danielle Hope is about to set off on the yellow brick road



LONDON'S West End stage is to unveil a host of new shows, from spectacular musicals to hard-hitting dramas and classic comedy, this spring.

Theatreland is buzzing with anticipation as blockbusters prepare to open and Hollywood stars head for the stages of the capital.

Most anticipated of all is The Wizard of Oz at the London Palladium, starring Danielle Hope - winner of Andrew Lloyd Webber's TV star search Over The Rainbow - as Dorothy. It also marks the return from New Zealand of the original Phantom of the Opera, Michael Crawford, as the wizard.

The Wizard of Oz will feature songs from the classic movie plus new songs written by Lloyd Webber with Tim Rice. The show is previewing now and officially opens on March 1. Those attending on a Tuesday or when Danielle Hope is on holiday will see Over The Rainbow's 'Welsh Dorothy' Sophie Evans in the role.

Acclaimed Cornish theatre company Knee High revive French musical The Umbrellas of Cherbourg, with music by Jacques Demy and Michel Legrand, at the Gielgud Theatre. The romantic tale of thwarted love, about a girl working in an umbrella shop who falls for a mechanic just as he joins the Army, previews from March 5 and opens officially on March 22.

The show features cabaret star Meow Meow, the song I Will Wait For You and is being directed by Emma Rice, who also brought Knee High's Brief Encounter to the West End.

Based on Alan Bennett's screenplay for A Private Function, musical Betty Blue Eyes will star Coronation Street's Sarah Lancashire and the League of Gentlemen's Reece Shearsmith as a small town chiropodist and his wife who steal a pig in ration-hit post-war Britain. It previews at the Novello from March 19 and opens on March 28.

Rock

The birth of rock 'n' roll at Sun Records in Memphis is conjured in Million Dollar Quartet with Michael Malarkey as Elvis Presley, Ben Goddard as Jerry Lee Lewis, Derek Hagen as Johnny Cash and Robert Britton Lyons as Carl Perkins. It is previewing now at the Noel Coward Theatre before opening on February 28.

Lovers of footwear from the Croc to Jimmy Choo are catered for at Shoes The Musical at the Peacock Theatre but catch it if you can, the show closes on April 3. Tracie Bennett is getting rave reviews as Judy Garland in End of the Rainbow at the Trafalgar Studios. It's been extended to April 16.

The big names are coming to star in plays this spring. Movie stars Sienna Miller and James Purefoy are joined by Sheridan Smith, from her stint in Legally Blonde, in Terence Rattigan's stiff-upper-lip Second World War drama Flare Path, directed

by Trevor Nunn. Centred on the tangled love life of a bomber pilot and his actress wife, it was made into the vintage British movie Way To The Stars. It's at the Theatre Royal, Haymarket, previewing from March 3, opening on March 10.

Matthew Fox from TV's Lost and Olivia Williams, recently seen in Roman Polanski's The Ghost, star in the drama In A Forest, Dark and Deep, written and directed by Neil LaBute, which previews at The Vaudeville Theatre from March 3 and opens on March 14. It is set in a cabin in the woods, where a man learns his sister's secret.

Cold Feet couple Hermione Norris and Robert Bathurst are reunited in Noel Coward's comedy Blithe Spirit at the Apollo Theatre, previewing from March 2 and opening on March 9. Ruthie Henshall plays the ghostly former wife Elvira and fans of Alison Steadman will be eagerly anticipating her role as flamboyant clairvoyant Madame Arcati.

Also reunited are Doctor Who pair David Tennant and Catherine Tate as sparring lovers Benedict and Beatrice in Shakespeare's Much Ado About Nothing, giving the Bard an all-too-rare West End airing at the Wyndham's, previewing from May 16 and opening on June 1 for a summer-long run.

At the National on the Southbank, Benedict Cumberbatch - TV's modern day Sherlock - and Jonny Lee Miller will be swapping roles of creature and creator in Nick Dear's adaptation of Mary Shelley's Frankenstein. It's at the Olivier at the NT until April 17.

Still to come... Shrek The Musical at the Theatre Royal in Drury Lane (previews from May 6), Richard Fleeshman in Ghost The Musical at the Piccadilly (previews from June 22), and Jude Law in Eugene O'Neill's Anna Christie at the Donmar Warehouse from August 4.

Leon Burakowski

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THE WAY I SEE IT

Benefits Shop should stay immune from council cuts

I'M backing the campaign to save Dudley's Benefits Shop. Councillor Shaukat Ali and local residents have shown how it does really important work helping local people get the extra help they need if they are made redundant or face losing their home.

Many pensioners have been helped to claim their benefits they are entitled to. The recent recession and council and government cuts mean that their work is more vital than ever before.

For example, despite letting some of the richest bankers in the country walk away with billions in bonuses, the Conservative government is scrapping the Financial Inclusion Fund which helps the poorest people get by.

What's worse is that the Benefits Shop costs the council just £300,000 to run, but it helps local residents get £2m extra in pensions or benefits they were entitled to but weren't claiming. The vast majority is then spent in the local economy, supporting Dudley's businesses and providing jobs in the area.

That's why Shaukat is absolutely right to be fighting for this vital service and we should all support his campaign.

Discount on leisure is great news for armed forces

I'm really pleased that Dudley Council is cutting leisure centre charges for members of the armed forces.

I wrote to the council calling for lower rates after being contacted by local soldier Cpl Mike Wright. He told me

police officers, fire fighters, health workers and council staff all paid reduced rates at leisure centres in Dudley, but members of the forces paid the full fee - £36.50 a year more.

I wrote to the council suggesting they offer members of the forces the discount and the council announced it would introduce the lower rates at the end of last week.

I am really grateful to Cpl Wright for getting in touch.

I'm very pleased the council is cutting the cost, but this is only a small token of the respect and gratitude we owe to the brave men and women who sacrifice

so much to defend the great British values of democracy, equality, freedom, fairness and tolerance.

Homes built by Labour's investment

I am delighted work is starting on 19 new council homes as a result of the previous Labour government's investment into Dudley.

However, I want Dudley Council to pressure contractors to the project - and ensure local youngsters get training as a result of the

Dudley North Labour MP Ian Austin takes the stand in our weekly Chronicle column which gives our local representatives the chance to air their views on issues that matter



contracts. The development will consist of 19 new properties including two, three and four bedroom homes and two bedroom apartments.

Dudley has a long waiting list for council properties, and these 19 properties are the first of 80 being built to tackle this problem - all as a result of the previous government's investment in our area.

£260,000 Lottery funding for St Thomas's Network

Last week we had great news for families

and residents in Kates Hill and Sledmere as St Thomas's Network received £260,971 from the Big Lottery Fund to provide taster activities for people to encourage them back into training and progression to employment.

The Network put together a first class bid to the Big Lottery. I backed the application because the centre really needed the investment after the council cut its budget, threatening its future and putting the services it provides and the jobs of the people who work there at risk.

The money will be used to provide job search sessions to help people get into work. There will be keep-fit, sport and craft classes and exercise sessions for parents and children. Other sessions will offer learning with your child, healthy eating and domestic budgeting. There will also be advice and guidance to address community issues with local health authorities, police, schools and employment services.

The Network does a fantastic job and this will be a real boost to the centre and the local community.

Deaths from heart disease declines but obesity still a worry

THE number of people dying of heart disease in the West Midlands has dropped by almost half in the past 14 years.

The British Heart Foundation said the number of people

who fell victim in 2008 was 3,110 compared to 6,204 in 1994.

Dudley saw a drop from 767 to 429, while in Walsall the figures fell from 849 to 393. The

number of those dying in Sandwell fell from 885 to 461 between 1994 and 2008, in Birmingham from 2,619 to 1,222 and in Wolverhampton the toll declined from 652 to 341.

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Employees at Co-Op Logistics raising money for the Air Ambulance at a monthly golf event

STAFF from a Halesowen distribution company have celebrated a year of fundraising by donating more than £1,000 to a rapid response charity.

Co-op Logistics, which has a frozen food depot on Amber Way, handed over the cheque to Midlands Air Ambulance after taking part in a variety of fundraising activities during 2010.

Around 250 depot employees took part in monthly golf competitions, a sponsored car wash, a World Cup barbeque and several coffee and cake mornings.

The majority of the money was raised through an annual December raffle which gave participants the chance to win a

signed England rugby shirt and an Aston Villa stadium tour.

A total of £1274.81 was donated to Midlands Air Ambulance with nearly £200 coming from the sale of the charity's merchandise.

Delighted

Lisa Cappetta, training coordinator at Co-Op Logistics, said: "We had a vote at the beginning of last year amongst all the employees and it was decided that Midlands Air Ambulance would be our charity of choice."

"With it being a local charity it received total support and I'm delighted to be able to hand over this money to such a worthwhile

cause." The money was raised through Midlands Air Ambulance's Business Matters scheme which has partnered a number of local businesses to enhance corporate social responsibility within the Midlands.

Alison Blakeway, events and volunteer co-ordinator at Midlands Air Ambulance received the cheque.

She said: "This is a great way to kick off our 20th anniversary."

"Without the support from local businesses the charity wouldn't be able to continue saving lives across the region so we're hoping other business will follow in Co-Op Logistic's footsteps and support us in this very special year."

Musicians in tribute to tree-smash father

Geoff ready for his words of art

A CARTOONIST and author is due to chat about his life and work tonight (Thursday) when he hosts a talk in Stourbridge.

Artist Geoff Tristram, of Eggington Road, Wollaston, is sharing the stories behind his works at the event at Stourbridge town hall from 7.45pm.

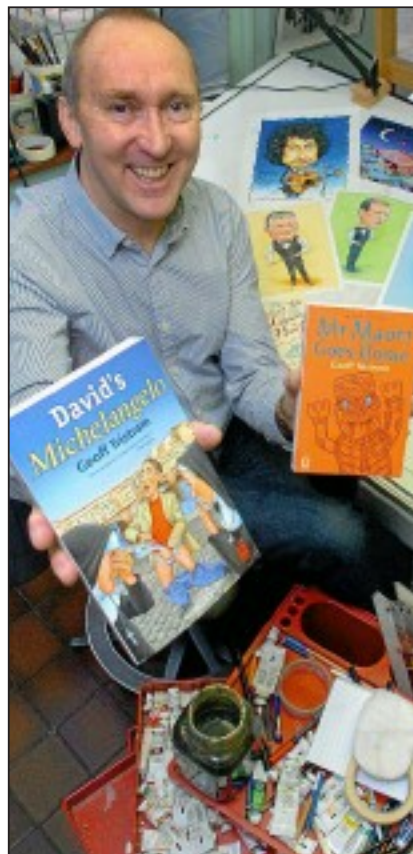
It is part of the Stourbridge Celebrity Lectures programme - a series of talks which takes place every year.

The 56-year-old, the brains behind the cover of UB40's debut album Signing Off in 1980, has plenty of anecdotes.

He will also be taking along some of his first artworks - including a portrait of his grandfather Geoff painted when he was 11. Geoff's work includes creating an ad board to publicise one of Top Gear presenter Jeremy Clarkson's books.

He has also drawn and painted cartoon of musicians such as Elvis Presley and Bob Dylan and appeared on TV as part of the BBC's World Snooker Championships coverage. Geoff was invited to interview the top 16 players while sketching them at the same time to create a series of paintings.

Tickets for the show are priced £5 and are available from Books Unlimited in Lower High Street, Stourbridge.



Geoff Tristram surrounded by his artworks as he prepares for Thursday's talk in Stourbridge



Steve Cutler

BANDMATES and friends have paid tribute to a Kinver father-of-two killed when his car was crushed by a tree uprooted in high winds.

Steve Cutler was a founding member of rock band The Picture which also includes Fred Fieldhouse, John O'Neill and Kevin Marson.

A concert The Picture had been booked to play will now be dedicated to Mr Cutler's memory.

Mr Cutler, of Hillboro Rise, Kinver, was killed as he was driving home from rehearsals with the band at The Basement Studios in Turner Street, Dudley, last Thursday evening. The 51-year-old who worked for Frontline Tools, in Bretell Lane, Ambicote, Stourbridge, was travelling on the A458 Bridgnorth Road, Stourton, near Stourbridge, when the tree hit his Mercedes Vaneo people carrier, near the junction with Hyde Lane.

Floral tributes have been laid at the scene.

Memory

He leaves wife Alison and two sons, Alex and Jack, who are both in their 20s.

Mr Cutler was due to play with The Picture on opening night of The Baseline at The Earl of Dudley Arms pub, in Wellington Road, Dudley, on February 25. Organisers have vowed the show would still go ahead in Mr Cutler's memory.

Basement Studios manager Frank Williams said: "Everyone here is very upset, I was very sad when I heard what had happened."

"We still want to do the concert in his memory because I hope he would have wanted that."

Band member John O'Neill, writing a message on the band's Myspace webpage, said: "We will cherish the memories we shared together always."

"Our love and thoughts are with Alison and the boys, love always, Fred John and Kev."

Shows are saved in budget U-turn

SANDWELL Show and the Historic Vehicle Show, which attract more than 20,000 visitors a year, have been saved after a U-turn by council bosses.

Chiefs had drawn up plans to charge admission for the vehicle show in May so it could pay for itself.

They sent out tenders for caterers and entertainers and spent £150 advertising the new

charges in magazines but have now aborted the plans.

Changes were discussed after the budget for the Sandwell Show, held in the Sandwell Valley in August, was slashed.

The authority's budget for shows and events has been cut by more than £100,000, endangering the St George's Fun Day which will now be a small museum-run event in the grounds of the Manor House in

West Bromwich. Councillor Anne Shackleton, the borough's culture and leisure chief, said it was decided at cabinet not to levy a charge for the Sandwell Vehicle Show.

"There are no plans to charge for the Sandwell Show and it will go ahead as planned," she added.

Councillor Shackleton did not clarify how the authority would pay for the events, nor how smaller budgets would

affect entertainment at the Sandwell Show. In a letter dated January 25, officers revealed that the historic vehicle show, which has been running for the past 32 years, was no longer in the budget.

The letter said: "The shows and events budget has been reduced by over £100,000 in the financial year 2011-12."

Former vehicle show organiser Geoff Price said: "This is a massive U-turn."

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Who's in town?



B RITAIN'S favourite girl group The Saturdays provide a Valentine's Day treat for pop fans at Wolverhampton Civic Hall on Monday.

Since they debuted in 2007 the girls have sold nearly 2 million records and racked up a very impressive seven top ten singles. They have fronted a major

campaign as the face of Impulse and starred in The Saturdays: 24/7, a prime-time behind-the-scenes documentary for ITV2.

The Saturdays' new album *Headlines!*, released through Fascination Records, went straight into the UK albums chart at number 3 upon release, following the smash hit single *Missing You*.

Headlines! is an eight-track album that

includes a handful of sparkling new songs plus Ego and their number two smash from last year, *Forever Is Over*.

The new album is the result of studio sessions that took place during Ego's four-month chart reign last year.

Una Healy, Frankie Sandford, Rochelle Wiseman, Mollie King and Vanessa White are experts on the live circuit having performed to thousands on their sold out 2009

tour and have since dazzled fans at festivals across the country.

Rochelle said: "We couldn't be more excited for the *Headlines!* tour. Performing live is absolutely our favourite part of being in The Saturdays, and we can't wait to see all our fans up and down the country!"

The Saturdays will be supported at the concert by boy band Twenty Twenty. Tickets are priced £24.50.



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The reinvented McFly promote their Birmingham gig which will be at the LG Arena in March



McFly reveal their maturity

MCFLY have reinvented themselves as a stadium-filling mega-draw after the success of their fourth album *Radio:Active* in 2008 and fifth studio album *Above The Noise* late last year.

The latter provided them with the top five hit *Shine A Light* featuring Taio Cruz.

The band have matured from the power pop kids of the 5 Colours In Her Hair era, having

their own record label and finding success in America and Australia.

"We learnt to completely rethink what McFly could be," said singer Tom Fletcher.

They will be filling the arenas again next month including a gig at the LG Arena, Birmingham, on March 30.

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Golden year charity sets target to beat heart disease



The charity aims to promote awareness of heart disease
A well known charity is celebrating its 50th birthday with half a century of love songs aimed straight at the heart.
Best of my love: Songs From The Heart, is a five-disc compilation album to take listeners on a trip down a musical memory lane.
It's a perfect Valentine's gift and will help raise vital funds for the British Heart Foundation (BHF).
The charity's vision is a world where people don't die prematurely from heart disease.
The BHF aims to achieve this through pioneering research, vital prevention activity and ensuring quality care and support for everyone living with heart disease.
The charity was founded in 1961 by a group of medical professionals wanting to fund extra research into the causes, diagnosis, treatment and prevention of heart and circulatory disease.
In making such an ambitious vision a reality it helps to set some milestones along the way and this is why the BHF have established a number of objectives to guide its day-to-day work.
Healthcare professionals
However, this can't be achieved alone. The charity is working alongside the Government, health charities, healthcare professionals and thousands of dedicated supporters to beat heart disease. Everybody has a part to play.
Its mission is to play a leading role in the fight against disease of the heart and circulation, so that it is no longer a major cause of disability and premature death.
In the strategy report, Beating Heart Disease Together, published in 2007, the BHF stated that, within a generation, it aims to:
• Reduce cardiovascular disease in the UK to one of the lowest levels in Europe.
Within a decade, the BHF aims to:
• Halve the number of people under 75 who die from cardiovascular disease
• Make sure at least two thirds of people under 75 survive a heart attack
• Reduce heart-related deaths in all UK local authority areas to the current level in south east England or below
• Reverse the rise in childhood obesity.
To help the charity get there, it's set a number of objectives across the following areas:
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Niki stars in Blood Brothers

Matt to put gloss on Footloose

BUSTED star Matt Willis is gearing up for his role in the musical Footloose at Birmingham Hippodrome.

The I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here winner in 2006 is playing the role of Chuck in the dance musical which can be seen at Birmingham Hippodrome from March 14 to 19.

Directed and choreographed by Olivier award-winner Karen Bruce, the fast-paced show is packed with lots of dance as well as some classic 80s anthems, including the hit title



Matt Willis

track Footloose! It tells the story of a city boy, Ren, who moves to a rural backwater in America where dancing is banned.

Tickets are priced £13 to £33 and available at www.birminghamhippodrome.com or on 0844 338 5000.

RADIO and TV regular Mark Steel, who has been a stand-up comedian for nearly 30 years, brings his comic musings to Wolverhampton's Slade Rooms on Thursday, February 17. The sharp-witted Steel is still at the top of his game, as anyone who tunes into Radio 4's The News Quiz will know. Tickets cost £15.

WILLY Russell's moving musical Blood Brothers, about twins separated at birth who are reunited with tragic results, returns to Wolverhampton next week with former X Factor finalist Niki Evans in the key role of Mrs Johnstone.

Russell's hard-hitting, dramatic, but often very funny, musical has been a West End fixture for many years.

The touring production featured Lynn Paul when it last came to the Grand Theatre and now Tamworth-based Niki Evans takes on the role of the broken-hearted Liverpool mother, singing Tell Me It's Not True and Marilyn Monroe. Blood Brothers is at the Grand from Monday to the following Saturday.

Meanwhile, RSC and Star Wars actor Oliver Ford Davies plays the title role in wartime weepy Goodnight Mister Tom, a new stage adaptation of Michelle Margorian's novel until Saturday.

Classic romantic

One of the country's most innovative and popular dance companies, Matthew Bourne's New Adventures, return to Birmingham Hippodrome on Tuesday with a radical new interpretation of Cinderella. He has won praise and acclaim for his reworking of Swan Lake and the New Adventures' versions of Edward Scissorhands, The Nutcracker and Dorian Gray.

His revamp of Cinderella tells the story against the background of Blitz-era London with Prokofiev's classic romantic score the soundtrack to Cinderella's journey through the blackout to find romance with a dashing young RAF pilot. It is staged at the Hippodrome to Saturday, February 19.

Craig Revel Horwood's flamboyant revival of 1980s musical Chess, which Tim Rice wrote with the male half of Abba, is at the Hippodrome to this Saturday. Shona White is the woman caught between Russian and American chess grandmasters. The stand out song is I Know Him So Well.

There is a series of one-nighters at Birmingham's New Alexandra Theatre. On Friday Roger Dean and the Lazy Boys present their tribute to a country music legend in The Johnny Cash Story. The Real Deal Comedy Jam are hosted by Kat B on Saturday and feature London comic Kane Brown, Canadian Jag Ghanaks, American Nema Williams, who is one of P Diddy's Bad Boys of Comedy, and New Yorker Frantz Casseus.

Dance sensations Flawless, from Britain's Got Talent, perform their variety of dazzling dance styles on Sunday night.

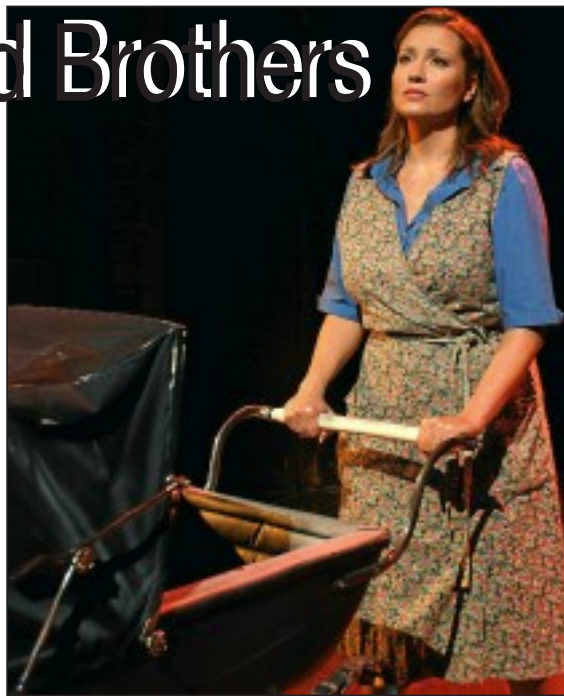
Steve Delaney brings his BBC Radio 4 comedy character, the language mangling former variety star

Former X Factor finalist Niki Evans, who plays the key role of Mrs Johnstone in Blood Brothers at Wolverhampton's Grand Theatre

Count Arthur Strong there on Monday for his Command Performance.

Birmingham Rep's first off-site production is Kenny Baraka's musical post-apocalyptic tale The Remembers. The one hour tale of a teenager who holds the key to mankind's future will be at a warehouse at the AE Harris Building in Birmingham's Jewellery Quarter to February 19. Contact the box office on 0121 236 4455.

Anton De Beke and Erin Boag from Strictly Come Dancing are Puttin' On The Ritz in matinee and evening performances at the Symphony Hall this Saturday. Elkie Brooks is in concert at



Birmingham Town Hall on Saturday. Then the venue hosts schoolchildren from across the city at 3.15pm and 6pm on Sunday for the children's musical fantasy Romany Wood in aid of Birmingham St Mary's Hospice.

Gareth Gates duets with fellow West End star Scarlett Strallen in the Valentine's at the Musicals concert at Birmingham's Symphony Hall and The Creole Choir of Cuba are at the Town Hall. Both are on Monday.

Birmingham School of Acting's spring season includes Jewish drama A Dybbuk in the main house at The Crescent Theatre, Birmingham, to

Saturday. During the same period BSA perform adults' only drama Piano/Forte in the Crescent's Ron Barber Studio.

Masked theatre group Vamos look at nurses during the Second World War with song and dance in Nursing Lives at Wolverhampton's Arena Theatre on Wednesday.

There is a choice of comedy tonight (Thursday) with Freak Like Me presenter Russell Kane at The Slade Rooms, Wolverhampton, Mock The Week irregular Zoe Lyons at Brum's Glee Club and John Shuttleworth at Birmingham Town Hall.

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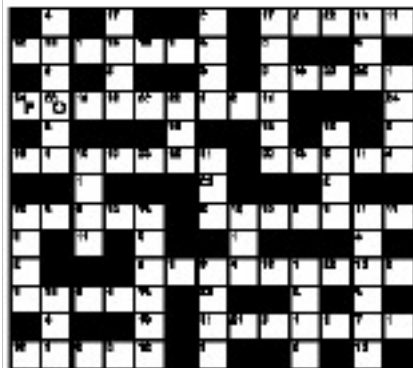
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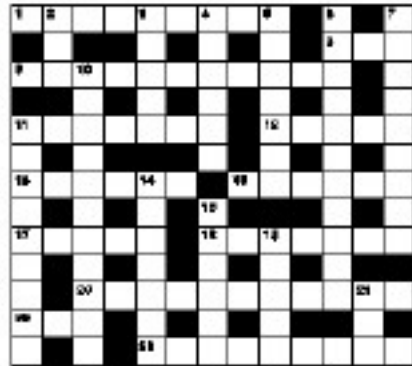
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Across: 1. Two dogs in a garden (10) - BARKING
Down: 1. A hill of sand (10) - SANDHILL

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Reviews: DVDs



Matt Dillon who stars in Takers



Anna Paquin and Rachel Blanchard in a scene from Open House

Open House (18)
DESPITE the prominence of True Blood stars Anna Paquin and Stephen Moyer on the cover, they only feature on screen briefly as victims in Open House.

Perhaps Miss Paquin and her screen and real life partner Moyer were showing support for her brother Andrew Paquin, who directs this slow moving but efficient slasher thriller.

The main trio are Rachel Blanchard (from TV's Clueless) who as divorcee Alice is held prisoner in her own home by a psycho couple (Tricia Helfer from Battlestar Galactica and the quietly intense

Brian Geraghty) after an 'open house' viewing to sell her home results in a killer hiding in her basement.

The gruesome twosome – a true nympho-maniac and her dominated partner in crime – stab and slash every potential rescuer but then Alice attempts to form a relationship with her male captor.

It's fairly predictable stuff but well done. However, the main interest for True Blood fans will be hearing Moyer using his native English accent rather than the southern drawl he adopts for HBO's saucy vampire thriller.

Takers (12)
This heist thriller reckons it's

slick, stylish and cool, but derivative, clichéd and boring would be better adjectives.

A tough detective, played by Matt Dillon on auto-pilot, will not rest until he brings a gang of cocky bank robbers – including Paul Walker from Fast & Furious, Tip 'TI' Harris from TV's Entourage and Hayden Christensen from various Star Wars movies – to justice.

You've probably seen this story done before but much better featuring Pacino or De Niro.

Both movies are also available on Blu-ray.

Leon Burakowski



Stephen Moyer – brief appearance

Reviews: live shows

Micky Flanagan, Town Hall, Birmingham
SOMEWHERE there's a mum and dad with a lot of explaining to do.

Cockney comic Micky Flanagan went through a whole host of topics during his sell-out Town Hall show, some of them not necessarily for the ears of the young girl that had been brought along by her parents.

There was a lot of adult and sexual content in the show, not to mention the language.

However, on the sixth date of his Out Out tour, Flanagan had the whole crowd in fits of laughter throughout, regaling tales of his time as a teacher, of growing up in the East End,

of previous relationships and of his wife and child.

He added that while most comedians had catchphrases, he was hoping his Cockney gait would become his catchwalk.

Important questions were answered such as why teenage pregnancies are on the rise, and while Flanagan doesn't tell 'Joke Jokes', he can no doubt spin a yarn, such as the time his young boy embarrassed him on the bus.

The popular funnyman has added an extra date to his current tour and returns to the Symphony Hall on March 31.

Mark Shipp

Magic of Motown, The Grand Theatre

AN electric atmosphere was created from start to finish for this show.

It had a packed out audience of all ages on their feet for a well-deserved standing ovation.

A superb band captured the distinctive Detroit sound to perfection, recreating all-time favourites from The Temptations, The Four Tops, Diana Ross and The Supremes, Marvin Gaye and Stevie Wonder and many more.

A wonderful Jackson Five

medley received roars of appreciation from the audience.

The fabulous male harmonies and stunning female vocals had the audience clapping along to hit after hit, Stop, In the Name of Love, My Guy, Dancing in the Street, I'll Be There and My Girl to name a few.

With more than 16 dazzling costume changes, slick choreography and its fast moving pace, this lavish production delivered a memorable evening out.

Les Jowett

Reviews: games

Dead Space 2 (18, EA)

IT'S basically Resident Evil in space though developers Visceral have taken the space ship location of Dead Space and expanded it to a whole city, known as The Sprawl.

Taking elements from the games Aliens vs Predator and Resident Evil, plus a whole slew of horror and sci-fi movie influences – chiefly Alien and The Thing – DS2 efficiently delivers the thrills and chills as survivor Isaac Clarke (we now see what he looks like), still haunted by visions of his dead girlfriend, must battle an onslaught of gruesome new Necromorphs.

These most unpleasant aliens use the bodies of their victims to warp and morph into monstrous creatures, including acid pukers and

zombie vampire babies. Not nice. There are a range of difficulty levels, with the top level being insanely hardcore, and you can play as the Necromorphs in multi-player mode.

It's tougher than the original and more time-consuming for those determined to get to the end. But by the time you've offed the zillionth Necromorph, you might start to yearn for the more rounded game experience of a Fallout or BioShock.

Reviewed on Xbox 360 this game is also available for PC and PS3.

Little Big Planet 2 (7, Sony)

Still one of the best reasons to buy a PS3, the Little Big Planet franchise steps up a gear with the iconic Sackboy now able to fashion all sorts

of games, not just the 2D platformers of the original LBP. It allows the gamer to bring their own ingenuity to this colourful universe, surely the way to go in a gaming world where too often the experience is still 'on rails'.

Once again, Stephen Fry provides the voice over as the Story Mode takes you through eight worlds and around 30 levels, punctuated by bonus levels inspired by other game styles.

Then begins the business of creating your own levels via the level editor. It's a steep learning curve but stick with it to get the most out of this game. As for Sackboy, isn't it time he got a few more powers... maybe that will come in LittleBigPlanet 3?

Leon Burakowski



Dead Space 2 – tougher than the original and more time-consuming

K. Stuart Swash

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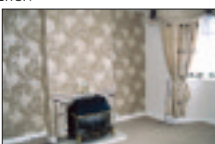
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IVYHOUSE LANE
COSELEY



- Detached with potential in great location!!
- Lounge and dining kitchen
- Three bedrooms and bathroom
- Garage and good sized garden
- Excellent opportunity!

£175,000

SANDSTONE CLOSE
LOWER GORNAL



- Superb and terraced house
- Three bedrooms and family
- Delightful lounge and dining kitchen
- Pleasant garden

£124,995

FLAVELLS LANE
GORNAL

- Extended and re-furnished end town house
- Three bedrooms and modernised bathroom
- Stylish fitted kitchen
- Delightful lounge leading to conservatory
- Well designed gardens plus parking and garage

£123,500


BOUNDARY HILL
LOWER GORNAL



- Prominent positioned semi detached
- Three bedrooms plus bathroom
- Living room with dining area
- Garden plus garage
- Great family home!

£116,000

HALL LANE
SEDGLEY



- Superb and spacious detached
- FIVE bedrooms !!
- Large lounge and fitted kitchen

£189,950



- Two bathrooms
- Gardens and garage at rear

GOSPEL END VILLAGE, SEDGLEY**FIR STREET**

- ★ A large individually designed five bedroom detached property in a desirable location near to Bagderidge country park
- ★ Traditional lounge and dining room
- ★ Kitchen with additional doorway off. ★ Utility
- ★ Games room, 20ft x 16
- ★ House bathroom, shower room, downstairs cloakroom
- ★ Garage, block paved driveway with parking for 3-5 cars
- ★ Good sized private rear garden

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £495,000

GOSPEL END VILLAGE, SEDGLEY**FIR STREET**

- ★ A fine country residence of substance and quality
- ★ Delightful location by Bagderidge County Park
- ★ Superbly proportioned and fully refurbished
- ★ Three reception rooms, breakfast kitchen,
- ★ Four bedrooms ★ En-suite to master bedroom
- ★ Large family bathroom with period statement features
- ★ Delightful gardens to the rear ★ Double garage

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £397,500

WOODSETTON**ROPER WAY**

- ★ A luxuriously appointed detached family home
- ★ Quiet cul-de-sac location
- ★ Fully enhanced and upgraded by current owners
- ★ Modern good size breakfast kitchen
- ★ Dining room and conservatory
- ★ Four bedrooms with en-suite to master
- ★ South facing rear garden ★ Garage

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £249,950

SEDGLEY**HIGH PARK CRESCENT**

- ★ A traditional three bedroom detached property in a most sought after location close to Sedgley Village
- ★ Two reception rooms
- ★ Breakfast kitchen ★ Conservatory
- ★ Guest cloakroom
- ★ Gas central heating and upvc double glazing
- ★ Driveway with off road parking for several vehicles

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £209,950

WOODSETTON**ROPER WAY**

- ★ A superb three bedroom detached property
- ★ Located in a most desirable cul de sac location
- ★ Kitchen ★ lounge
- ★ Open plan 2nd reception room
- ★ Family bathroom ★ Guest cloaks
- ★ Garage ★ Landscaped rear garden
- ★ Block paved drive ★ Garage
- ★ An ideal family home, viewing is highly recommended

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £199,950

BROWNSWALL, SEDGLEY**DUMBLEBERRY AVENUE**

- ★ A most desirable extended semi-detached on the popular Brownswall estate
- ★ Two spacious reception rooms
- ★ Breakfast kitchen
- ★ Gas central heating
- ★ Recently installed UPVC double glazing (majority)
- ★ Three double bedrooms
- ★ Garage and off road parking
- ★ Well maintained rear garden
- ★ Viewing highly recommended

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £195,000

SEDGLEY**HIGH PARK CRESCENT**

- ★ A traditional semi-detached full of charm and character
- ★ Imposing full height hallway
- ★ Modern breakfast kitchen, open plan dining room
- ★ Delightful lounge
- ★ Three good sized bedrooms
- ★ Garage and driveway parking
- ★ No upward chain

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £189,950

GORNAL WOOD**HIMLEY ROAD**

- ★ A delightful traditional semi-detached extended to the rear
- ★ Formal dining room ★ Good sized lounge
- ★ "L" shaped breakfast kitchen
- ★ Downstairs wc ★ Laundry facilities
- ★ Three bedrooms, two with fitted furniture
- ★ Fully tiled bathroom
- ★ Lovely rear garden with sunny aspect
- ★ Block paved driveway

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £185,000

ETTINGSHALL PARK**CAMBERLEY CRESCENT**

- ★ A beautifully presented three bedroom traditional semi-detached
- ★ Enhanced by the current owners
- ★ Third bedroom extended into loft space
- ★ Two reception rooms
- ★ Kitchen ★ Conservatory
- ★ Modern bathroom (with separate shower cubicle)
- ★ Garage and delightful rear gardens.

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £177,500

TIPTON**WOODCROFT AVENUE**

- ★ An exceptionally well presented 3 bedroom detached
- ★ Extended downstairs accommodation
- ★ Two reception rooms ★ Study
- ★ Kitchen, utility, ★ Downstairs cloakroom
- ★ Upvc double glazing, gas central heating
- ★ Immaculately maintained large rear garden, sunny aspect
- ★ Garage, block paved driveway
- ★ NO UPWARD CHAIN

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £175,000

SEDGLEY**NORTHWAY**

- ★ A well maintained 3 bed semi-detached dormer bungalow
- ★ Excellent location with impressive views
- ★ Lounge, kitchen, shower room
- ★ Two bedrooms on ground floor
- ★ Spacious first floor bedroom, potential for en-suite
- ★ Gas central heating, upvc d glazed (majority)
- ★ Garage and driveway parking
- ★ NO UPWARD CHAIN

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £164,950

LOWER GORNAL**MANOR DRIVE**

- ★ Delightfully positioned detached bungalow on large plot
- ★ Potential for extending/ building plot subject to relevant consents
- ★ Two bedrooms and bathroom
- ★ Kitchen to the front
- ★ Gas central heating, double glazing (majority)
- ★ Garage with utility area
- ★ Secluded rear garden

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £160,000

COSELEY**GOUGH ROAD**

- ★ Impressive Edwardian end cottage full of character
- ★ Two spacious reception rooms
- ★ Kitchen ★ Utility kitchen
- ★ Three double bedrooms ★ Large family bathroom
- ★ Conservatory opening onto delightful rear garden
- ★ Block paved foregarden
- ★ Large garage /workshop/office to the rear

£149,950 - 5% GIFTED DEPOSIT AVAILABLE

LOWER GORNAL**THE ALLEY**

- ★ A traditional three bedroom semi-detached in quiet location at the head of a cul-de-sac and close to the nature reserve
- ★ Good sized lounge overlooking rear garden
- ★ Dining kitchen, side lobby and hallway
- ★ Gas central heating and upvc double glazing
- ★ Pleasant tiered rear garden with a sunny position
- ★ Garage and off road parking
- ★ No upward chain

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £139,950

HURST HILL, COSELEY**PAUL STREET**

- ★ A beautifully presented town house with a modern feel
- ★ Dining kitchen and lounge
- ★ Two bedrooms, ensuite to master
- ★ Family bathroom
- ★ Downstairs cloakroom
- ★ Upvc double glazing & Gas central heating
- ★ Well maintained rear garden, sunny aspect
- ★ Block paved driveway, parking for 2 cars

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £132,500

MILKING BANK, DUDLEY**COWLEY DRIVE**

- ★ A beautifully presented modern semi-detached
- ★ Fully refurbished, contemporary theme
- ★ Lounge and dining kitchen
- ★ Two bedrooms, fitted wardrobes to master
- ★ Upvc double glazing, gas central heating
- ★ Private rear garden with sunny aspect
- ★ Driveway parking

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £132,500

SEDGLEY**LOMOND ROAD, NORTHWAY**

- ★ A deceptively spacious mid town house
- ★ Beautifully presented throughout
- ★ Lounge ★ Open plan modern kitchen & dining area
- ★ Downstairs cloakroom
- ★ Three bedrooms
- ★ Two allocated parking spaces
- ★ NO UPWARD CHAIN

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £132,500

HURST HILL, COSELEY**PAUL STREET**

- ★ A traditional three bed semi-detached home in a popular location, conveniently situated for Hurst Hill Primary School
- ★ Open plan lounge into dining room
- ★ Kitchen, rear lobby, downstairs w.c
- ★ Good sized family bathroom
- ★ Upvc double glazing (majority)
- ★ Gas central heating,
- ★ Off road parking

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £129,950

HURST HILL, COSELEY**MASLIN DRIVE**

- ★ A traditional style semi-detached house with a garage
- ★ Popular residential location close to all amenities
- ★ Open plan lounge with dining area
- ★ Kitchen with separate utility
- ★ Three bedrooms all with built-in wardrobes
- ★ Upvc double glazing ★ Gas central heating
- ★ Good sized rear garden with sunny aspect.

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £129,950

COSELEY**BERRINGTON DRIVE**

- ★ A three bedroom semi-detached property
- ★ In a quiet residential location
- ★ Open plan style living room
- ★ Dining kitchen ★ Conservatory
- ★ Three bedrooms ★ bathroom
- ★ Upvc double glazed windows
- ★ Garage & off road parking

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £129,950

WOODSETTON**PARKES HALL ROAD**

- ★ A traditional style 3 bed semi-detached which has been refurbished throughout
- ★ Open plan lounge, dining room
- ★ Modern Kitchen & utility
- ★ Garage with laundry facilities
- ★ Private rear garden with sunny aspect
- ★ Block paved driveway
- ★ NO UPWARD CHAIN

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £129,500

COSELEY**HIGHFIELDS ROAD**

- ★ A charming beautifully presented cottage
- ★ Large dining kitchen, two reception rooms
- ★ Two bedrooms and shower room
- ★ Potential for loft conversion subject to relevant consent
- ★ Gas central heating
- ★ Double glazing (majority)
- ★ Two rear workshops and storage room
- ★ Pleasant rear gardens
- ★ Off road parking for two cars

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £127,500

SEDGLEY**TIPTON STREET**

- ★ A charming traditional three bedroom terraced property close to Sedgley village
- ★ Spacious living space, two reception rooms
- ★ Breakfast kitchen and conservatory
- ★ Utility and downstairs wc
- ★ Upstairs bathroom, separate wc.
- ★ Gas central heating
- ★ Hardwood double glazing (majority)
- ★ Rear garden

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £124,950

COSELEY**BERRINGTON DRIVE**

- ★ Stylish and immaculately presented modern semi-detached
- ★ Refurbished to a high specification
- ★ Generous sized lounge ★ dining kitchen
- ★ Two double bedrooms
- ★ Modern bathroom
- ★ Upvc double glazed and gas central heating
- ★ Off road parking

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £124,950

UPPER GORNAL**NORTH OVAL**

- ★ A traditional sized semi detached on a good sized end plot offering a high standard of accommodation
- ★ Two reception rooms, extended breakfast kitchen
- ★ Three excellent sized bedrooms
- ★ Upvc double glazing, gas central heating
- ★ Garage and block paved driveway
- ★ Internal viewing highly recommended

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £124,500

SEDGLEY**CASTLE STREET**

- ★ Within walking distance to Sedgley Village
- ★ A traditional semi-detached with a garage
- ★ Lounge, kitchen, verandah/utility
- ★ Two double bedrooms and a nursery room
- ★ Modern bathroom with corner bath & separate shower cubicle
- ★ Upvc double glazing and gas central heating
- ★ Secluded rear garden

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £122,950

SEDGLEY**LIME ROAD**

- ★ A generous sized three bed mid terrace property
- ★ Convenient for Sedgley centre
- ★ Partially refurbished, some work required
- ★ Lounge, Large kitchen/diner
- ★ Cloakroom and Utility
- ★ Modern bathroom
- ★ No upward chain

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £119,500

SEDGLEY**LIME ROAD**

- ★ A generous sized three bedroom semi-detached property
- ★ Situated in a popular residential area close to Sedgley centre
- ★ Two reception rooms
- ★ Kitchen and utility room
- ★ Gas central heating
- ★ Pleasant rear gardens
- ★ IDEAL FIRST TIME PURCHASE

REDUCED TO £109,950

TIPTON**MANOR ROAD**

- ★ A generous sized three bed semi-detached
- ★ Residential area, convenient for local primary school
- ★ Lounge, kitchen, conservatory
- ★ Modern bathroom with separate shower cubicle
- ★ Gas central heating
- ★ Upvc double glazing (majority)
- ★ Pleasant rear gardens.
- ★ VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

OFFERS IN THE REGION OF £99,950

GORNAL WOOD**ABBEY STREET**

- ★ Small shop unit in centre of Gornal village
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- ★ Wc ★ Electric
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41 FRASER STREET, BILSTON

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246 BIRMINGHAM NEW ROAD, LANESFIELD

Attractive, Detached in pleasant grounds. Two Reception, Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas CH. Outside: Stores / Workshop / WC - Vehicular access to rear via Lane Road
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Close to centre - Double fronted Shop Unit. Main Sales area, Stock Room, Kitchen area and WC (First Floor accommodation not used for many years)
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£350 pcm



ROWLEY REGIS STUART ROAD

Semi Detached Property, Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Carpets & Curtains, Front & Rear Gardens

£585 pcm



HALESOWEN BLAGDON ROAD

Ground Floor Flat, Large Lounge, Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Carpets & Curtains, Unfurnished, Single Garage Available Immediately

£525 pcm



GORNAL REDHALL ROAD

Semi Detached Property, Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Carpets & Curtains, Unfurnished

£650 pcm



RUSSELLS HALL LANGSTONE ROAD

Semi-detached property, Lounge, dining room, kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom, double glazing, front and rear gardens, carpets and curtains. Unfurnished.

£510 pcm



BROCKMOOR PHEASANT STREET

Terrace Property, Lounge, Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Rear Garden, Gas Central Heating, DSS considered

£525 pcm



PENSNETT TANSEY GREEN ROAD

End Terrace property, Lounge, Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom with Shower, Garage at Rear, Front & Rear Gardens, Gas Central Heating

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KINGSWINFORD LABURNUM ROAD

End terrace property. Lounge, kitchen, one bedroom, bathroom, off road parking, rear garden.

£460 pcm



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Maisonette, Lounge, kitchen, bathroom with shower, three bedrooms, double glazing, parking, carpets and curtains. No pets.

£495 pcm



WALL HEATH ALBERT STREET

Mid terrace property, Lounge, kitchen/diner, two bedrooms, bathroom with shower, gas central heating, partial double glazing, front and rear gardens, off road parking, carpets and curtains. Unfurnished.

£575 pcm



WOMBOURNE FORGE VALLEY WAY

Semi Detached Property, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Electric Heating, Double Glazing, Unfurnished, Front, Side & Rear Gardens, Off Road Parking

£650 pcm



SEDGLEY ROWAN ROAD

Semi Detached Property, Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, Two Double Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Carpets & Curtains, UNFURNISHED, Front & Rear Gardens

£525 pcm



WOLVERHAMPTON VICTORIA ROAD

Terraced House, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Utility, Cloakroom, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Carpets and Curtains, Rear Garden, Unfurnished

£575 pcm



SEDGLEY GOSPEL END ROAD

Semi Detached Property, Large Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, WC, Three Double Bedrooms, Bathroom with Shower, Dressing Room, Front & Rear Gardens, Garage, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing

£650 pcm



TIPTON HOPKINS STREET

Semi Detached Property, Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, WC, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Carpets & Curtains, Unfurnished

£525 pcm



COSELEY SALCOMBE GROVE

Semi Detached Property, Lounge, Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom with Shower, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Carpets & Curtains, Unfurnished, Front & Rear Gardens

£545 pcm



DUDLEY THE PARADE

Semi-detached, Lounge, kitchen, dining room, bathroom with shower, three bedrooms, gas central heating, double glazing, carpets and curtains. Unfurnished. DSS considered. No pets

£550 pcm



WORDSLEY STREAM ROAD

End terrace property. Lounge, kitchen/diner, out buildings, bathroom with shower, two double bedrooms, gas central heating, double glazing, carpets & curtains, Unfurnished, Rear gardens.

£525 pcm



DUDLEY BOURNE STREET

Modern Apartment, Lounge, kitchen, bathroom, two bedrooms, electric heating, allocated parking. Unfurnished, carpets and curtains.

£395 pcm



BRIERLEY HILL DADFORD VIEW

Cluster Home, Lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom, unfurnished, off road parking, double glazing. DSS considered.

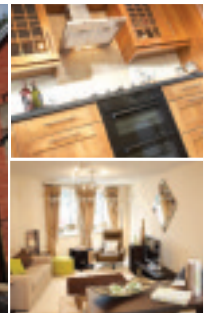
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**BIRMINGHAM NEW ROAD**

An Edwardian double fronted detached property, accommodation comprises entrance hallway, lounge, dining room, breakfast kitchen, utility room, conservatory, first floor having three bedrooms, bathroom, driveway, garden to the rear, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. Viewing highly recommended.

DUDLEY

£249,000

**ATTINGHAM DRIVE**

A modern detached property, accommodation comprises entrance hallway, through lounge, kitchen/diner, cloakroom, first floor having master bedroom with en-suite, three further bedrooms, bathroom, driveway, garage, garden to the front and rear, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. Viewing highly recommended. No Upward Chain.

DUDLEY

£184,950

**CRABOURNE ROAD**

A well presented detached property, accommodation comprises entrance porch, through lounge, kitchen, first floor landing having three bedrooms and bathroom, driveway, garage, garden to the rear, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. Viewing highly recommended.

LOWER GORNAL

£169,950

**GROSVENOR ROAD**

A three bedroom detached dormer bungalow, accommodation comprises entrance hallway, through lounge, kitchen, bedrooms, bathroom, first floor having master bedroom with dressing room/study, garden to the front and rear, garage to rear, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. Viewing highly recommended.

THE STRAITS

£166,000

**MILTON CRESCENT**

A detached dorma bungalow, accommodation briefly comprising lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom, central heating, double glazing as specified, garage, off road parking, garden to rear.

DUDLEY

O/O £150,000

**STOURBRIDGE ROAD**

A traditional detached property in need of modernisation, comprises hall, three reception rooms, conservatory, kitchen, first floor having three bedrooms and bathroom, driveway, garden to the front and rear, garage, gas central heating. No upward chain.

TIPTON

£144,950

**NAPIER DRIVE**

A well presented link detached property, accommodation comprises entrance porch, hallway, lounge, kitchen/diner, utility room, first floor landing having three bedrooms and bathroom, driveway, garage, garden to the rear, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. Viewing highly recommended.

DUDLEY

£139,950

**BYRON CRESCENT**

A semi detached property in cul-de-sac location, accommodation comprises entrance porch, hallway, through lounge/dining room, conservatory, kitchen, first floor landing having three bedrooms and bathroom, driveway, garage, garden to the front and rear, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. No Upward Chain.

DUDLEY

£137,000

**OLD PARK ROAD**

A traditional semi detached property, accommodation comprises entrance porch, hallway, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen, first floor landing having three bedrooms and shower room, driveway, garden to the rear, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. Viewing highly recommended.

DUDLEY

£134,950

**HIMLEY AVENUE**

A detached property, accommodation comprises entrance hallway, cloakroom, lounge, conservatory, dining room, kitchen, first floor landing having three bedrooms and shower room, driveway, garden to the front and rear, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. No Upward Chain.

RUSSELLS HALL

£130,000

**RUSSELLS HALL ROAD**

A semi detached property, accommodation comprises lounge, kitchen, first floor landing having two bedrooms and bathroom, left conversion giving bedroom three, driveway, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. Viewing highly recommended.

DUDLEY

£129,950

**ASHENHURST ROAD**

A semi detached property comprising hall, lounge, kitchen, conservatory, first floor having three bedrooms, bathroom, driveway giving off road parking, garage, garden to the front and rear, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. Viewing highly recommended.

TIPTON

£129,950

**HUDSON ROAD**

A semi detached property, accommodation comprises hall, lounge/diner, kitchen, first floor landing having three bedrooms and bathroom, driveway, garden to the front and rear, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. Viewing highly recommended.

SEDGLEY

£129,950

**CROWN CLOSE**

A semi detached property, accommodation comprises entrance porch, through lounge, kitchen, first floor landing having three bedrooms and bathroom, driveway, garage, garden to the front and rear, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. No Upward Chain.

DUDLEY

£129,950

**BREWERY STREET**

A semi detached property, accommodation comprises entrance hall, three reception rooms, kitchen/diner, downstairs bathroom, first floor landing having three bedrooms and bathroom, driveway, garden to the rear, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. Viewing highly recommended. Alarmed.

**ON SELECTED PROPERTIES**

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DUDLEY

£125,000

**REDCROFT ROAD**

A semi detached property accommodation briefly comprising entrance hall, lounge, kitchen diner, utility room, w.c., first floor landing having three bedrooms and bathroom, driveway, gardens to front and rear, central heating and double glazing. Viewing highly recommended. No upward chain.

TIPTON

£125,000

**FACTORY ROAD**

A modern semi detached property with accommodation to comprise of: entrance hallway, lounge, kitchen/diner, conservatory, first floor landing, three bedrooms and bathroom. There is a driveway to rear, gardens to front and rear, central heating and double glazing. Viewing highly recommended.

SEDGLEY

£124,950

**KINGS ROAD**

A traditional four bedroom end terrace property accommodation briefly comprising porch, hallway, lounge, dining room, kitchen, laundry room, W.C., first floor having master bedroom with en-suite, two further bedrooms, bathroom, bedroom four to second floor, rear garden, central heating and double glazing as specified. No upward chain.

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LOWER GORNAL

£108,000

**PARK ROAD**

A semi detached property accommodation briefly comprising hall, lounge refitted kitchen, 1st floor having 3 bedrooms and bathroom, double glazing as specified, rear garden and off road parking.

TIPTON

£100,000

**LOCARNO ROAD**

A well presented corner plot semi detached property, accommodation comprises hallway, lounge, kitchen, cloakroom, first floor landing having three bedrooms and bathroom, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. Viewing highly recommended.

NETHERTON

£92,950

**PRIMROSE ROAD**

A semi detached property set on a corner plot, accommodation comprises porch, hall, lounge, kitchen/diner, first floor landing having three bedrooms and bathroom, off road parking, garden to the front and rear, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. Ideal first time purchase. Viewing highly recommended.

TIPTON

£89,950

**HURST LANE**

A first floor apartment, accommodation comprises lounge, open plan kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom, allocated parking space. No Upward Chain. Viewing highly recommended.

DUDLEY

£85,000

**GREEN PARK ROAD**

A three bedroom semi detached property briefly comprising: entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, outer lobby having w.c. and store room, first floor having three bedrooms and refitted bathroom. Driveway garden to rear. Central heating and double glazing as specified.

NETHERTON

£84,950

**MOLYNEUX ROAD**

A semi detached property set on a corner plot in need of refurbishment, accommodation comprises hall, lounge, kitchen/diner, downstairs bathroom, first floor landing having three bedrooms and w.c., garage, off road parking, part gas central heating.

DUDLEY

£80,000

**NEW ROAD**

A Well presented mid terraced two bedroom property with accommodation to comprise of: entrance hall, lounge, diner, utility, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom to first floor. Further benefits include: gas central heating, double glazing (where specified), garden to rear. Viewing highly recommended.

NETHERTON

£79,950

**NEWMARK ROAD**

A semi detached property, accommodation comprises entrance hallway, lounge, kitchen, shower room, first floor landing having three bedrooms and w.c., garden to the front and rear.

TIPTON

£72,000

**ANITA AVENUE**

A well presented ground floor maisonette, accommodation comprises entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, inner lobby, shower room, allocated parking, economy 7 heating. Viewing highly recommended.

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 Commanding a generous corner position within the sought after Charterfields development and enjoying a DELIGHTFUL OPEN FRONT OUTLOOK, this VERY IMPRESSIVE MODERN DETACHED FAMILY HOME combines a VERY SPACIOUS layout with BEAUTIFULLY APPOINTED and TASTEFULLY DECORATED accommodation which includes GAS CENTRAL HEATING, uPVC DOUBLE GLAZING, comprising: reception hall, ground floor w.c., large attractive lounge, separate dining room, LARGE CONSERVATORY EXTENSION, refitted kitchen with integrated appliances, THREE GOOD BEDROOMS and modern bathroom. The property is set back beyond the LARGE GRAVELLED FRONTAGE to the rear providing a generous garden, DRIVEWAY, ADDITIONAL CARAVAN PARKING and LARGE GARAGE. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £199,950

WORDSLEY



2 Fairford Gardens
 Commanding a magnificent elevated setting within this small pleasant 'cul-de-sac' upon the highly sought after 'History Fields' development, this SUBSTANTIAL, SUCCESSFULLY EXTENDED AND IMMACULATELY PRESENTED DETACHED FAMILY HOME offers BEAUTIFULLY AND EXPENSIVELY APPOINTED accommodation, including GAS CENTRAL HEATING, uPVC DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: entrance porch, reception hall, spacious lounge with dining room area off study, ATTRACTIVELY REFITTED KITCHEN with integrated appliances, THREE GOOD SIZED BEDROOMS and beautifully appointed bathroom. Set back beyond the attractively landscaped foregarden and IMPRESSIVE BLOCK PAVED DRIVEWAY with approach to the GARAGE and enjoying a BEAUTIFULLY LANDSCAPED REAR GARDEN. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £199,950

SEDGLEY



Southerndown Road
 A spacious, significantly EXTENDED, much enhanced & conscientiously maintained, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached family home in favoured neighbourhood with good distant views. Accommodation provides enlarged porch, reception hall, fitted cloakroom, separate dining room with bay, lounge with folding doors through to a brick uPVC double glazed conservatory, enlarged/upgraded L-shape breakfast kitchen with a fine range of units, FOUR BEDROOMS (principal bedroom with shower room en suite), reapointed bathroom with stylish white suite, integral store. Landscaped rear garden & substantial timber gym with light & power (alternative use as playroom, hobbies room, garden room, summer house). SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £199,950

KINGSWINFORD



184 Standhills Road
 This SUCCESSFULLY EXTENDED, NOW IMPRESSIVELY SPACIOUS, TRADITIONAL SEMI-DETACHED FAMILY HOME is very pleasantly located within the 'cul-de-sac' of very popular Standhills Road and affords a GENEROUS LAYOUT of accommodation, including GAS CENTRAL HEATING, DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: reception hall, spacious lounge, inner hall, separate dining room, fitted kitchen with integrated, ground floor shower room, THREE GOOD SIZED BEDROOMS and bathroom (currently unfinished and in need of improvement). Set back beyond a small foregarden and a GOOD SIZED DRIVEWAY with approach to the GARAGE and enjoying an EXCELLENT SIZED REAR GARDEN. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £174,950

SEDGLEY



Turis Hill Road
 An attractive, ENLARGED, traditional, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached of character enjoyably situated in a 'tree lined' road within walking distance of Sedgley's Bull Ring, open fields & many amenities. Accommodation comprises imposing reception hall, lofty ceiling height, understairs store, lounge with bay, sitting room with doors through to a garden room/conservatory, refitted kitchen with stylish range of units & various integrated appliances, lengthy store/utility room. Three bedrooms (two with wardrobes), reapointed bathroom with white suite, block paved parking to front, level secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £169,950

BRIERLEY HILL



Baxter Road
 This modern style, detached, three bedroomed, uPVC double glazed and gas centrally heated family home is situated in an established residential location, and is well worthy of internal inspection. Accommodation is seen to comprise: entrance hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms, re-fitted bathroom with white suite, block paved driveway, garage, and a lawned rear garden. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers Around £159,950

KINGSWINFORD



85 Lydgate Road
 This SUCCESSFULLY ALTERED AND GREATLY IMPROVED, DORMER SEMI-DETACHED BUNGALOW enjoys a very pleasant 'cul-de-sac' setting upon the highly sought after Crestwood Park development and offers a THOROUGHLY PLANNED AND VERY SPACIOUS LAYOUT of accommodation, including GAS CENTRAL HEATING, uPVC DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: reception hall / study area, inner hall, very spacious lounge with separate dining room area off REFITTED KITCHEN, classic white bathroom, TWO GOOD SIZED FIRST FLOOR BEDROOMS and first floor shower room. Set back beyond the front lawn together with a BLOCK PAVED DRIVEWAY which extends to the side of the property (having gated side access to the VERY PLEASANT REAR GARDEN which is enjoys OPEN REAR ASPECT with school field beyond). KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £142,500

WORDSLEY



25 Belle Vue
 A IMPRESSIVE & DELIGHTFUL PERIOD MID TERRACE which is superbly located within a sought after address, offering a DECEPTIVELY SPACIOUS and ATTRACTIVELY APPOINTED layout of accommodation, including: Large Lounge, Spacious Dining Kitchen with built in appliances, rear hall/lobby, large re fitted bathroom with separate shower, TWO LARGE DOUBLE BEDROOMS and GAS CENTRAL HEATING. The rear garden is LARGE, SUNNY and attractively laid out with decking. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £139,950 - No Upward Chain

WOODSETTON



Rosemary Crescent
 An EXTENDED, uPVC double glazed & gas centrally heated semi detached that has been TREMENDOUSLY MODERNISED and improved set in quiet cul-de-sac and comprising entrance porch, reception hall, lounge with bay, under stairs store, magnificent 21ft extended dining room (with double french doors) and an extended 18'2" comprehensively refitted breakfast kitchen with a fine range of stylish 'English cream' units & various integrated appliances. Three bedrooms, reapointed/re-tiled bathroom with white suite, off road parking, landscaped/secured rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £139,000

WOODSETTON



Rosalind Avenue
 An ENLARGED, freehold, uPVC double glazed & gas centrally heated (combi boiler) semi detached on periphery of Bramford Estate within walking distance of so many amenities. Offering further potential, the well presented accommodation includes porch, reception hall, lounge with bay, dining room, pantry, enlarged kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom, DRIVE THROUGH GARAGE & good size rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Price: £135,000

LOWER GORNAL



Ellowes Road
 An absolutely outstanding, exceptionally stylish & tremendously enhanced, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached in well regarded, convenient district. A personal inspection is vital to fully appreciate quality & nature of the ENLARGED accommodation which comprises reception hall, excellent lounge, refitted kitchen with a fine range of 'beech' effect units & various integrated appliances, pantry, dining room, rear lobby, fitted cloakroom, utility section. Three bedrooms, stylish reapointed bathroom with white suite, block paved foregarden (kerb dropped), secluded/landscaped rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £127,950

PENSNETT



Derwent Close
 This fully modernised and much improved, modern style semi detached property offers three bedroomed, gas centrally heated and uPVC double glazed accommodation which is worthy of internal inspection, the well presented interior is seen to comprise: inner hall, guest w.c., lounge, dining room, modern kitchen, three first floor bedrooms, modern bathroom, gardens to front and rear, garage, driveway, uPVC gutter and fascia. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers Around £124,950

TIPTON



Baker Street
 A tremendously modernised & improved, freehold, gas centrally heated & majority uPVC double glazed semi detached enjoyably situated upon wider than average corner plot & convenient for so many amenities. Superb accommodation includes entrance porch, reception hall, spacious through lounge/dining room (formerly separate rooms), refitted kitchen, uPVC double glazed CONSERVATORY, three bedrooms, reapointed shower room (with white suite), DOUBLE & SINGLE GARAGES, block paved driveway, rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £119,950

LANESFIELD



Ward Grove
 An exceptionally well presented, tremendously enhanced & particularly stylish, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached that has been 'transformed' by present vendors in recent years. Accommodation includes entrance hallway, lounge with contemporary living flame feature fireplace, transverse upgraded dining kitchen with an extensive range of fitted units, integrated appliances & patio doors to garden. Two double bedrooms (one with fitted wardrobes), reapointed/re-tiled bathroom with white suite, CARPORT, neat secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £116,450

NETHERTON



Saltwells Road
 This traditional style, uPVC double glazed (vast majority), gas centrally heated, three bedroomed mid townhouse, and may particularly appeal to first time buyers or young families. Accommodation briefly comprises: entrance hall, lounge, dining room, re-fitted kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom, block paved hardstanding to front, and a lawned rear garden. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers Around £109,950

WORDSLEY



79 Belle Vue
 REQUIRING UPDATING AND IMPROVEMENT, this DECEPTIVE PERIOD END OF TERRACE is further enhanced by the BLOCK PAVED SIDE DRIVEWAY and the EXTENSIVE REAR GARDEN. The accommodation is WELL PROPORTIONED includes PART uPVC DOUBLE GLAZING and comprises: entrance porch, large lounge with dining area, kitchen, veranda, lobby, ground floor bathroom, TWO GOOD SIZED BEDROOMS. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: Offers Around £104,950

HOLLY HALL



Newland Grove
 This extended three bedroomed traditional style semi detached property offers gas centrally heated and uPVC double glazed accommodation which comprises: hall, lounge, dining area, kitchen, utility, three first floor bedrooms, bathroom, attractive garden to rear, block paved driveway to the front. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers Around £104,950

LANESFIELD



Hill Avenue
 Significantly modernised & improved, freehold, gas centrally heated & mostly uPVC double glazed intermediate 'starter home' in established neighbourhood within walking distance of so many amenities. Accommodation includes entrance hallway, lounge, refitted dining kitchen with a fine range of stylish units, verandah, THREE BEDROOMS, bathroom (with white suite), LAWNED GARDEN. NO UPWARD CHAIN. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £89,950

SWINDON VILLAGE



3 Swinforce Way
 Superbly located within Swindon village this SUBSTANTIAL EXTENDED MODERN DETACHED FAMILY HOME enjoys a secluded rear aspect and offers a VERY SPACIOUS and WELL PRESENTED layout of accommodation with GAS CENTRAL HEATING, uPVC DOUBLE GLAZING, entrance hall, large lounge, separate dining room, CONSERVATORY, generous breakfast kitchen, utility/lobby, ground floor w.c., FOUR GOOD BEDROOMS, master with EN SUITE SHOWER ROOM and bathroom. The property is set back beyond the TARMAC DRIVEWAY with front lawn, GARAGE and to the rear enjoying a GOOD SIZED LEVEL SECURED GARDEN with patio and lawns. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

PRICE: £239,950 - No Upward Chain

WALL HEATH VILLAGE



72 Cross Street
 This MAGNIFICENTLY SPACIOUS & VERSATILE DETACHED BUNGALOW enjoys a superb corner setting just a level walk from village shops and park and, ONLY JUST EXPENSIVELY RE-APPOINTED WITHIN, includes: Porch, fine large hall, SUPERB 15 ft x 10 ft LOUNGE with arch to DINING ROOM AREA, elegant medium oak feature Kitchen, rear Hall, TWO SPLENDID DOUBLE BEDROOMS plus QUITE OUTSTANDING DESIGNER BATHROOM / W.C. ROOM with infinity shower all plus stairs from Hall to TWO DELIGHTFUL 13 ft x 10 ft LOFTS. uPVC DOUBLE GLAZING and GAS CENTRAL HEATING. Broad forelawn, double-width drive to DOUBLE GARAGE plus additional side access with enclosed block-paved patio and secluded garden area. AN EXCEPTIONAL PROPERTY. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £224,950

DUDLEY



Osberton Drive, Milking Bank
 An exceptionally well presented & tremendously enhanced, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed detached that has been 'transformed' by present vendors in recent years to provide extremely stylish well proportioned accommodation. Enjoys situated in relatively quiet cul-de-sac close to adopted open space and with panoramic distant views, the accommodation includes entrance hall way, lounge with feature fireplace, dining room, enlarged/refitted L-shape breakfast kitchen with a tremendous range of units with many integrated appliances, lobby, fitted cloakroom. Four bedrooms (principal bedroom with numerous wardrobes & a shower cubicle en suite), reapointed bathroom with white suite, landscaped garden, burglar alarm and personal inspection is considered imperative for full appreciation. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £214,950

GORNAL/PENSNETT



6 Winberry Rise
 A MOST IMPRESSIVE and EXPENSIVELY RE-APPOINTED MODERN DETACHED FAMILY HOME which is superbly located within the highly sought after Badgers Rise development, offering an IMMACULATELY PRESENTED and ENLARGED layout of accommodation which includes GAS CENTRAL HEATING, and uPVC DOUBLE GLAZING, comprising: reception hall, refitted cloakroom, large attractive lounge with dining area, LARGE CONSERVATORY, luxury refitted kitchen with integrated appliances, separate utility/laundry, THREE GOOD BEDROOMS (bedrooms one and two fitted) and refitted bathroom. The property is set back beyond the BROAD BLOCK PAVED DRIVEWAY with front lawn, GARAGE and a LARGE and BEAUTIFULLY LANDSCAPED REAR GARDEN. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £209,950

DUDLEY



Breamore Crescent, "Earls Keep"
 An attractively significantly upgraded, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed Bryant detached enjoyably situated on secluded plot well back from the principal road upon favoured development. Superb accommodation includes canopy porch, entrance hall, 22'7" through lounge/dining room with doors through to a brick uPVC double glazed CONSERVATORY (with heated floor). Kitchen, pantry, laundry section, fitted cloakroom. Principal bedroom with 'walk through' mirrored wardrobe area to a shower room en suite, two further bedrooms (one with wardrobe), bathroom, garage, extensive parking, delightful secluded/landscaped rear garden with decking. Security systems. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £192,000

SEDGLEY



Arcal Street
 RECENTLY CONSTRUCTED! A distinctive, particularly stylish, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed detached (with potential garage space) in a particularly convenient established district within walking distance of Sedgley's Bull Ring schools & all associated amenities. The house is covered by NHBC guarantee and comprises imposing reception hall, fitted cloak/shower room, through lounge, well equipped kitchen with a fine range of units & various integrated appliances & a utility room beyond. Three bedrooms, bathroom, neat secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £179,950

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An attractive, extremely stylish, tremendously enhanced, freehold, gas centrally heated & primarily uPVC double glazed detached in quiet location with good distant views. Accommodation includes reception hall, reappointed cloakroom, superb lounge, magnificent transverse dining kitchen (with double French doors to garden) with a fine range of cream finish units & various appliances, utility room, store. Three bedrooms (one with an extensive range of "besoit" effect fitted units), reappointed bathroom with white suite. Garage, delightful secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £177,950**QUARRY BANK****NEW PRICE****Evers Street**

This immaculately presented, modern style, detached two bedroomed bungalow has been conscientiously maintained and updated by the present owners, and simply must be viewed to fully appreciate the standard of accommodation provided. With uPVC double glazing and a gas central heating system, the property briefly comprises: entrance hall, stylish lounge, re-fitted breakfast kitchen, two bedrooms, re-fitted bathroom with white suite and whirlpool bath, garage, block paved driveway, and a beautiful, well stocked rear garden. Available with NO UPWARD CHAIN. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers Around £169,950**DUDLEY****NEW PRICE****Oakham Road**

This surprisingly spacious, detached, uPVC double glazed and warm air centrally heated family home is situated in an established residential location. Accommodation briefly comprises: entrance porch, hall, lounge, kitchen, three good bedrooms, bathroom with separate wc, drive, garage, burglar alarm, and low maintenance rear garden. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers Around £169,950**WOODSETTON****Brook Street**

A most attractive, EXTENDED, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC DOUBLE GLAZED Mucklow built detached presented in exemplary order throughout, with exceptional standards of decor & maintenance. Superb accommodation includes reception hall, fitted cloakroom, two stores, elegant lounge through to dining room with patio doors, extended/re-fitted breakfast kitchen with a fine range of units and various integrated appliances. Three bedrooms, reappointed bathroom with white suite/chrome fittings, substantial garage, delightful landscaped gardens. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £159,950**KINGSWINFORD****1 Surrey Drive**

Occupying a generous, gently elevated 'corner' position upon this highly sought after modern development, this BEAUTIFULLY PRESENTED AND ATTRACTIVELY RE-APPOINTED, MODERN END TOWNHOUSE offers a VERY SPACIOUS LAYOUT, including GAS CENTRAL HEATING, DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: reception hall, ground floor guest cloak, w.c., spacious and attractive lounge, SPACIOUS AND ATTRACTIVELY FITTED DINING KITCHEN with integrated appliances, THREE BEDROOMS and BEAUTIFULLY RE-APPOINTED BATHROOM. Set back beyond an attractive fore garden and generous side garden, together with 'TARMAC DRIVEWAY' with approach to a GARAGE and to the rear enjoying an ATTRACTIVELY LANDSCAPED AND SECURED REAR GARDEN. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £159,950**UPPER GORNAL****Jews Lane**

An attractive, conscientiously maintained & EXTENDED, mostly uPVC double glazed traditional interior with detached of character in popular neighbourhood with good DISTANT VIEWS. Accommodation includes imposing reception hall, lounge with bay, extended sitting room, dining room, kitchen, pantry. Three bedrooms, stylish recently reappointed bathroom, 'garage' (narrow), block paved foregarden, secluded good size rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £159,950**WALL HEATH VILLAGE****No Upward Chain****64 Cross Street**

Exceptionally well placed within much sought after Wall Heath Village, this BEAUTIFULLY ALTERED AND IMPROVED 'PENOD' END OF TERRACE FAMILY HOME retains much of its original character and charm and offers an EXPENSIVELY APPOINTED LAYOUT, which is VERY SPACIOUS throughout, including GAS CENTRAL HEATING, uPVC DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: well proportioned lounge, separate formal dining room, LUXURY RE-FITTED KITCHEN with integrated appliances, THREE GOOD SIZED BEDROOMS and attractively refitted bathroom with separate shower. The property is gently elevated and set back beyond a small frontage and enjoys a BEAUTIFULLY LANDSCAPED LOW MAINTENANCE REAR GARDEN. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £149,950**COSELEY****NEW PRICE**

A significantly improved & EXTENDED, stylish, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed traditional semi detached that has been tremendously upgraded in recent months and a personal inspection is vital to appreciate the superb accommodation which comprises entrance porch, hall, lounge, sitting room, extended L-shape dining kitchen, three first floor bedrooms, refitted bathroom with white suite incorporating corner bath & separate shower cubicle, driveway, 'garage' and gardens to front and rear. PART EXCHANGE CONSIDERED. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £149,000**LOWER GORNAL****NEW PRICE****Kingham Close**

COMPETITIVELY PRICED, a most conveniently situated & conscientiously maintained, Freehold, uPVC DOUBLE GLAZED & gas centrally heated (recent combi boiler) detached within walking distance of so many amenities. Individually designed accommodation includes: porch, entrance hall, fitted cloakroom, through lounge, breakfast kitchen, pantry. Three bedrooms (two with wardrobes), reappointed bathroom with a fitted white suite. Garage, wider than average secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

PRICE: £142,950**SEDGLEY****Crown Close**

An EXTENDED, deceptively spacious, gas centrally heated & double glazed property situated in a quiet cul-de-sac within walking distance of Sedgley Bull Ring and is sure to appeal to first time buyers & young families alike. Accommodation comprises: entrance porch, through lounge/dining room, extended dining kitchen. Three good bedrooms, bathroom with corner suite. Garage, driveway, and a pleasant rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £130,000**DUDLEY****Richborough Drive**

Significantly enhanced, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed and 'starter home' with MAGNIFICENT DISTANT VIEWS just off the main Richborough Drive and within reasonable walking distance of all the various Miling Bank amenities. Accommodation provides lounge, refitted breakfast kitchen with a fine range of 'oak' finish units & many integrated appliances & a substantial brick/uPVC double glazed CONSERVATORY to the rear. Two double bedrooms, reappointed bathroom with white fitted suite, off road parking for two vehicles, good sized, well fenced rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £125,000**WORDSLEY****£4,000 Reduction****71 Tack Farm Road**

An EXPENSIVELY IMPROVED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE which offers an IMMACULATE layout of ready to move onto accommodation and is superbly placed enjoying an open front outlook. The property includes GAS CENTRAL HEATING, uPVC DOUBLE GLAZING, comprising: Reception Hall, Full depth Lounge with feature fireplace and dining room area, LUXURY RE-FITTED KITCHEN with built in appliances, utility, TWO DOUBLE BEDROOMS and RECENTLY RE-FITTED BATHROOM. The property is further enhanced by the LARGE GRAVELLED FORECOURT and a LARGE REAR GARDEN which enjoys the afternoon sunshine. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £122,950**UPPER GORNAL****Ox Street**

An attractive uPVC DOUBLE GLAZED, gas centrally heated, freehold semi detached occupying a fine corner plot with good distant views in popular neighbourhood. Accommodation comprises entrance hallway, lounge, transverse dining kitchen with integrated oven & hob, pantry, THREE BEDROOMS (with double wardrobe), bathroom, 'low maintenance' rear garden, further front & side gardens with DOUBLE PARKING SPACE. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £117,950**BRIERLEY HILL****REDUCED BY £10,000****High Street**

This deceptively spacious shop premises with flat above occupies a prominent High Street position, and is sure to appeal to investment buyers. Shop premises briefly comprises: two shop/showroom areas, office, rear workshop/store, kitchenette, wc. Flat briefly comprises: separate entrance, landing, lounge, kitchen, two good bedrooms, shower room. Internal inspection is strongly advised to fully appreciate the accommodation provided. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers Around £110,000**SEDGLEY****Claremont Road**

NO UPWARD CHAIN. A stylish, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed traditional terrace of character that has been tremendously enhanced/upgraded by present vendors in recent months to provide a superb starter home. Set within walking distance of Sedgley's Bull Ring (and all associated amenities), the accommodation includes: sitting room with bay, inner lobby, living room, understairs store, stylish refitted kitchen (oven & washing machine to remain), reappointed/re-tiled bathroom with white suite. Two double bedrooms (with central separate w.c.). Secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £109,950**UPPER GORNAL****Kinfare Rise**

VENDOR IS OFFERING A 5% GIFTED DEPOSIT ON THE FULL ASKING PRICE. This surprisingly spacious, traditional style, double glazed & gas centrally heated, three bedroom semi detached home is situated in an established residential location and may particularly appeal to first time buyers or young families. Accommodation briefly comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen with a fine range of units, three good bedrooms, bathroom with white suite, concrete print driveway and a low maintenance rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £109,950**HOLLY HALL****Newland Grove**

This fine property has undergone extensive modernisation in recent years by the current vendors, and now the gas centrally heated and uPVC double glazed, three bedroomed accommodation is seen to comprise: hall, guest wc, lounge, re-fitted kitchen, three first floor bedrooms, re-fitted bathroom with spa bath, rear garden, block paved driveway, burglar alarm, modern wiring and plumbing. Must be seen. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers Around £106,950**COSELEY****Langley Avenue**

A significantly modernised, well presented, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC DOUBLE GLAZED intermediate 'starter home' in a convenient cul de sac within walking distance of so many amenities. Stylish accommodation includes entrance porch, inner hallway, lounge, store, refitted dining kitchen with a fine range of 'walnut' effect units & various integrated appliances, patio doors to garden. THREE BEDROOMS, reappointed bathroom with white, brick/block paved off road parking to front (kerb dropped) & a secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £103,000**DUDLEY****Acacia Close**

A COMPETITIVELY PRICED, freehold, gas centrally heated & double glazed 'starter home' in a cul de sac convenient for so many amenities & facilities. Accommodation includes reception hall, cloak cupboard, updated kitchen, understairs store, delightful lounge with uPVC double glazed patio doors out to garden. TWO DOUBLE BEDROOMS, bathroom, lengthy front garden with block paved parking, secluded rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £102,000**COSELEY****Shaw Road**

Significantly enhanced & improved, freehold, gas centrally heated & primarily uPVC double glazed semi detached of character conveniently situated with rare advantage of OFF ROAD PARKING. The stylish, deceptively spacious, accommodation includes lounge, store, dining room, refitted kitchen with a fine range of units & various integrated appliances, two double bedrooms, spacious bathroom. Garden & block paved (double) off road parking. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £95,000**LOWER GORNAL****Central Drive**

A conscientiously maintained, comparatively spacious, traditional, recently gas centrally heated, uPVC single glazed, intermediate 'starter home' in a popular/established neighbourhood with good distant views from the rear. Accommodation includes: reception hall, pantry, lounge, dining room, kitchen, THREE BEDROOMS, bathroom. Garden. Potential off road parking to front. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £94,950**LOWER GORNAL****£5,000 Reduction****7 Turners Grove**

A SUCCESSFULLY ENLARGED TRADITIONAL SEMI-DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE which enjoys a 'cul de sac' position within a very popular location, providing SPACIOUS and WELL PLANNED accommodation, comprising: reception hall, large lounge, separate dining room, LARGE CONSERVATORY EXTENSION, fitted kitchen with built in appliances, THREE BEDROOMS, bathroom and uPVC DOUBLE GLAZING. The property is further enhanced by a POTENTIAL SIDE DRIVEWAY (subject to dropped curb) and a GOOD SIZED REAR GARDEN. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price now: £94,950**KINGSWINFORD****New Price****161 Ragees Road**

Superbly set within this popular 'cul de sac' upon the highly sought after 'High Acres' development, this VERY SPACIOUS GROUND FLOOR FLAT offers TASTEFULLY DECORATED accommodation, which is 'READY TO MOVE INTO', including uPVC DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: entrance hall, SPACIOUS LOUNGE with DINING AREA, fitted kitchen with integrated appliances, good sized bedroom and 'classic white' bathroom. Benefiting from an ALLOCATED OFF-ROAD CAR PARKING SPACE and enjoying a GOOD SIZED REAR GARDEN. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Price: £77,950**COSELEY****Central Drive**

This well presented, gas centrally heated, two bedroom second floor apartment is conveniently situated for local amenities and may particularly appeal to first time buyers. The beautifully appointed accommodation briefly comprises secure communal entrance, hallway, stylish lounge with bay, refitted kitchen with a fine range of units, two double bedrooms, refitted bathroom with white suite and communal gardens. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £72,950**BRIERLEY HILL****Victoria Court**

This modern one bedroomed first floor flat is ideal for the first time buyer/investor, and is worthy of internal inspection having had many recent improvements. The uPVC double glazed accommodation comprises: inner porch, stairs to landing, lounge re-fitted kitchen, re-fitted bathroom, bedroom, communal gardens, garage. Don't miss out, sold with NO UPWARD CHAIN. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

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Three bedroom semi detached house with lounge, dining room, downstairs bathroom and yard area to the rear.

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TIVDALE Wheatshaf Road



Three bedroom semi detached house with hallway, lounge, dining kitchen, upstairs bathroom and garden to rear.

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Stourbridge TAMAR RISE



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A three bedroom semi detached house with hallway, Lounge, fitted kitchen, conservatory, second reception room, driveway and garden to the rear.

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DUDLEY Ivanhoe Street



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A two bedroom mid terrace house with lounge, dining kitchen, upstairs bathroom and garden to rear. Ideal investment as sitting tenant.

£54,950

BRIERLEY HILL Planet Road



NEW
A two bedroom mid terrace house with lounge, dining room, kitchen with utility area and garden to the rear.

£79,950

NETHERTON Baptist End Road



NEW
A two bedroom mid terrace house with hallway, lounge, dining room, dining kitchen, downstairs bathroom and garden to rear.

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DUDLEY Russells Hall Road



A three bedroom semi detached house with hallway, lounge, dining room, upstairs bathroom with separate toilet and garden to the rear.

£95,000 offers over

OLDBURY The Moorings



NEW
A one bedroom end terrace house with open plan lounge and kitchen, upstairs bathroom, allocated parking and a garden to rear.

£75,950

BILSTON Lees Terrace



NEW
A semi detached dormer bungalow with kitchen, utility, lounge, two bedrooms, dining room, shower/WC, garden to rear and driveway to front.

£90,000

TIPTON Worsey Drive



NEW
A modern one bedroom first floor apartment. Lounge, kitchen, bathroom, available end of October 2010. DSS considered with a guarantor.

£370 PCM

BRIERLEY HILL Bagleys Road



TO LET
A one bedroom ground floor flat having double glazing and electric heating. Lounge, kitchen, double bedroom and bathroom. Located parking.

£375 PCM

TIPTON Elizabeth Walk



TO LET
A one bedroom first floor flat in quiet location. Open plan with lounge/diner/kitchen, bedroom and shower and wc. Electric storage heating. Available now.

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TIVDALE Regent Road



TO LET
A two bedroom semi detached property, having double glazing, two reception rooms, off road parking. Available for long term let.

£475 PCM

CRADLEY HEATH Mossvale Close



TO LET
A modern coach house style first floor apartment. Having double glazing, electric heating, good size lounge/diner, two bedrooms, available now. Viewing highly recommended.

£495 PCM

OLDBURY, Gravity Mews Bristnall Hall Road



NEW
A modern first floor apartment having central heating and double glazing. Lounge/diner, open plan fitted kitchen, double bedroom with wardrobe and storage cupboard. Available now.

£495 PCM

DUDLEY Oak Green



NEW
A nicely presented three bedroom semi detached house. Lounge with sofa, dining kitchen with table and chairs and a built in cooker. Separate utility and downstairs wc. Available now.

£500 PCM

TIPTON Brindlefields Way



NEW
A modern two bedroom end terrace house with garage and parking. Double glazing and central heating, through lounge/diner. Modern fitted kitchen. Two double bedrooms.

£525 PCM

DUDLEY Mayfield Road



TO LET
A spacious family home having two reception rooms, large fitted kitchen, separate utility room with downstairs WC, house bathroom/WC with shower over the bath. Unfurnished, available now for long term let - No DSS.

£550 PCM

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NEW

Terraced two bedroom property briefly comprising dining room, lounge, kitchen, downstairs bathroom with separate wc, rear garden and parking to rear of property.

COMING SOON

Tansley Hill Avenue

Semi detached three bedroom property briefly comprising porch, entrance hall, lounge, extended kitchen, downstairs wet room, family bathroom, rear garden and driveway.

COMING SOON

Turton Road

Semi detached five bedroom property comprising lounge, dining room, study, kitchen, downstairs bathroom, front and rear gardens car port and converted garage currently being used as an office.

Roseleigh, Bilston



£99,995

NEW

Detached two bedroom bungalow briefly comprising lounge kitchen/diner, bathroom, front and rear gardens and garage to rear of property.

Scott Street, Tipton



Offers Over £205,000

Detached four bedroom property briefly comprising lounge, dining room, kitchen, utility room, downstairs wc, family bathroom, front and rear gardens, driveway and garage.

Crabourne Road, Dudley



Offers Over £110,000

Semi detached two bedroom property comprising lounge, dining room, extended kitchen, family bathroom, rear garden and driveway.

Priory Road, Dudley



Offers Over £155,000

Semi detached five bedroom property comprising lounge, dining room, kitchen, downstairs shower room, family bathroom, rear garden, garage and driveway.

Steven Drive, Bilston



£45,000

End terraced one bedroom property comprising lounge, kitchen/diner, bathroom, front gardens and allocated parking. This property is a 50% shared ownership.

Palmerston Drive, Tividale



Offers Over £190,000

Modern four bedroom detached property comprising lounge/diner, kitchen, family bathroom, master with en-suite, garage, front and rear gardens and driveway.

Old Park Road, Dudley



£90,000

Semi detached three bedroom property briefly comprising lounge, kitchen/diner, bathroom, front and rear gardens and driveway.

Smithy Lane, Brierley Hill



Offers Over £145,000

Semi detached three bedroom property comprising enclosed porch, lounge, kitchen, bathroom, front and rear gardens and driveway.

Club Row, Dudley



Offers Over £100,000

Terraced two bedroom property briefly comprising lounge, kitchen/diner, bathroom, front and rear gardens, and allocated parking.

Salter Road, Tipton



Offers Over £85,000

End terraced three bedroom property comprising entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, family bathroom, front and rear gardens and driveway.

Regent Drive, Tividale



Offers Over £120,000

Semi detached three bedroom property comprising porch, lounge, dining room, extended kitchen, family bathroom, front and rear gardens and driveway.

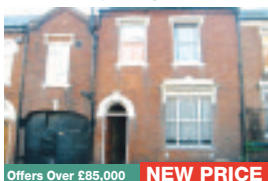
Elizabeth Grove, Dudley



£240,000

Detached three bedroom property comprising study, two reception rooms, kitchen, family bathroom, front and rear gardens and driveway.

Church Road, Dudley



Offers Over £85,000

NEW PRICE

Terraced two bedroom property comprising lounge, dining room, further reception room, extended kitchen/lounge, family bathroom, rear garden.

Birchfield Lane, Oldbury



Offers Over £105,000

NEW PRICE

Semi detached three bedroom property comprising lounge, kitchen, utility area, conservatory, family bathroom, front and rear gardens.

Birmingham New Road, Bilston



Offers Over £125,000

Semi detached three bedroom property comprising lounge/diner, kitchen, bathroom, separate wc, front and rear garden, driveway and garage.

Great Bridge Road, Bilston



Offers Over £80,000

Terraced two bedroom property comprising lounge, kitchen/diner, bathroom, front and rear gardens, allocated parking.

Stourbridge Road, Brierley Hill



£114,995

Semi detached three bedroom property comprising lounge, dining room, kitchen, reception room (converted garage), family bathroom, rear garden and driveway.

Langley Avenue, Bilston



£92,950

NO UPWARD CHAIN. A three bedroom property briefly comprising lounge, rear lobby, dining area, kitchen and bathroom. Also having a rear garden.

Glen Road, Dudley



£90,000

Semi detached two bedroom property comprising entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, bathroom, garden and drive way.

PUBLIC NOTICE



£90,000

We are acting in the sale of the above property **160 Old Park Road, Dudley, West Midlands, DY1 3ND** and have received an offer of **£85,500**. Any interested parties must submit any higher offers to the selling agent before an exchange of contracts takes place.

Oxford Way, Tipton



£119,995

Semi detached three bedroom property briefly comprising downstairs wc, lounge, kitchen/diner, bathroom, front and rear gardens, and driveway.

Northcott Road, Dudley

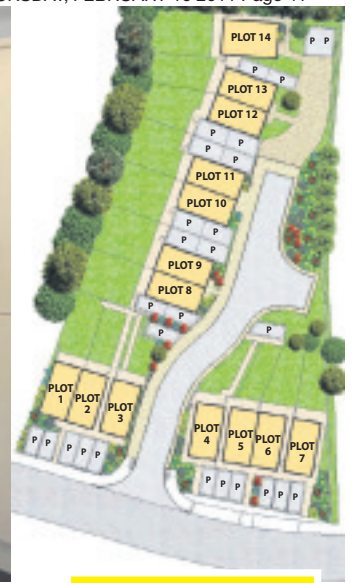


£74,500

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6 ARKLE CROFT £192,500
ROWLEY REGIS
● Modern detached house
● Three bedrooms, two reception rooms
● Conservatory, cloakroom
● Good sized private rear garden
● DUDLEY OFFICE



105 WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD O/A £169,950
SEDGLEY
● Spacious traditional semi
● Three bedrooms
● Extended at rear
● Lovely level rear garden, double garage
● SEDGLEY OFFICE



76 ETTINGSALL RD £175,995
COSELEY
● Detached bungalow with three bedrooms
● Spacious lounge, inner hallway/dining area
● Ample parking
● Private rear garden
● SEDGLEY OFFICE



73 OLD PARK ROAD £175,000
DUDLEY
● Semi detached house
● Three bedrooms
● Large kitchen, conservatory
● Utility room, shower room
● DUDLEY OFFICE



233 THE BROADWAY, DUDLEY £169,950
● Well presented three bedroom accommodation
● Separate lounge & dining room
● Conservatory, refitted kitchen & bathroom
● Wide frontage with ample parking ● DUDLEY OFFICE



226 BIRMINGHAM NEW RD O/A £160,000
COSELEY
● Well presented semi detached
● Three good sized bedrooms
● Spacious bathroom with separate shower
● Well fitted kitchen & dining area
● SEDGLEY OFFICE



17 LINFIELD GARDENS £164,950
SEDGLEY
● Much improved semi detached house
● Well presented throughout
● Three bedrooms, Separate lounge & dining room
● Refitted bathroom & kitchen
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22 PARK ROAD O/A £149,950
WOODSETTON
● Extended semi detached house
● Three bedrooms
● Refitted kitchen/diner, utility room
● Rear garden with summerhouse & workshop
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1 TILSTON DRIVE £149,950
BRIERLEY HILL
● Modern detached house
● Three bedrooms, garage, dining kitchen
● Wide corner plot position
● Pleasantly located in a quiet cul-de-sac
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44 STRATHERN DRIVE O/A £147,500
COSELEY
● Three storey mid town house
● Three bedrooms
● Refitted kitchen & bathroom
● Good views at front
● SEDGLEY OFFICE



16 THE VISTA £139,950
SEDGLEY
● Semi detached house
● Three bedrooms
● Potential building plot subject to p/p
● Large gardens
● SEDGLEY OFFICE



83 IVYHOUSE LANE £125,000
COSELEY
● Detached construction
● Two bedrooms, Kitchen extension
● Attached garage
● Well presented throughout
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121 CLIFTON STREET £109,950
HURST HILL, COSELEY
● Well presented mid-terraced house
● Two double bedrooms
● Separate lounge & dining room
● Gas central heating, uPVC DG
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1 KEIR HARDIE WALK £105,000
TIVIDALE
● End terrace house
● Well proportioned accommodation
● Three bedrooms
● Convenient location
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42 MINEHEAD ROAD £104,950
DUDLEY
● Good sized level gardens
● Detached single garage
● Two double bedrooms
● Upvc double glazing
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3 ROUND HILL £104,950
SEDGLEY
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● In need of some cosmetic updating
● Convenient location
● Double glazed windows & gas central heating
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23 LILIAN GROVE £95,000
BILSTON
● Modern mid terraced house
● Two bedrooms
● Lounge, dining kitchen
● Off road parking, landscaped garden
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179 TIPTON ROAD £85,000
WOODSETTON
● Mid terraced house
● Two bedrooms
● Two reception rooms
● Useful workshop & storerooms
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53 PARK ROAD £84,950
WOODSETTON
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 Room - Downstairs WC - Gas Central
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 Gardens - Garage - No Upward Chain
**DUDLEY £199,950**
 Compton Drive Modern Three Bed Det -
 Downstairs Cloaks - Dining Room - L
 Shaped Lounge - Bathroom With Corner
 Suite - Warm Air Heating - Double Width
 Garage - Front And Rear Gardens
**TIPTON £179,995**
 Gate Street Modern Detached Property -
 Downstairs Cloakroom - Full Width Lounge
 - Fitted Kitchen - Four Bedrooms - Garage
 - Viewing Recommended
**TIVIDALE £109,995**
 Regent Road Semi Detached Home -
 Three Bedrooms - Popular Residential
 Location - Off Road Parking - Double
 Glazing - Central Heating
**TIVIDALE £92,995**
 Elizabeth Mews Semi Detached Property -
 Central Heating - Double Glazing - Rear
 Lounge - Fitted Kitchen - Re Fitted
 Bathroom - Two Bedrooms - Garage In
 Separate Block - Viewing A Must
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 Ardley Close End Terraced House - Three
 Bedrooms - Two Reception Rooms -
 Kitchen - Detached Garage - Front And
 Rear Gardens
**BILSTON £164,950**
 Constantine Way Detached Property -
 Three Bedrooms - Master With En-Suite -
 Lounge - Dining Room - Utility -
 Conservatory - Garage - Driveway
**TIVIDALE £139,995**
 Macdonald Close Three Storey Semi Det -
 Downstairs Shower Room - Bed 3/Office -
 Utility Room - Conservatory - First floor
 Lounge - Master Bed With En-Suite - Main
 Bathroom - Front And Rear Gardens
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 Ward Street Two Bed Cottage Style Det -
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 Garage - Additional Parking - Rear Garden
**FAMILY HOME****WORDSLEY £137,500**
 Renfrew Close Semi Detached House -
 Three Bedrooms - Newly Fitted Kitchen -
 Lounge/Dining Room - Garage - No
 Upward Chain
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 Bedrooms - Master With En-Suite - Lounge
 - Kitchen Diner - Central Heating - Double
 Glazed
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 Central Heating - Front And Rear Gardens

SOLD STC
 Similar Properties Required
PENSNETT £115,000
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 Three Bedrooms - Two Reception Rooms -
 Utility - Downstairs Toilet - Garage And
 Driveway

SOLD STC
 Similar Properties Required
DUDLEY £104,950
 Poplar Green Three Bedroom Semi -
 Central Heating - Double Glazing - Hallway
 - Front Lounge - Rear Dining Kitchen -
 Downstairs Wet Room - Three Bedrooms -
 Re Fitted Bathroom - No Upward Chain

SOLD STC
 Similar Properties Required
TIVIDALE £99,950
 Birch Crescent Semi Detached Property -
 Two Bedrooms - Kitchen - Dining Room -
 Lounge - Shower Room - Central Heating -
 Double Glazing - Rear Garden - Driveway

SOLD STC
 Similar Properties Required
DUDLEY £79,000
 Occupation Street Mid Terraced House -
 Two Bedrooms - Breakfast Kitchen - Gas
 Central Heating - Rear Garden - No Chain
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MILKING BANK
BRELADES CLOSE

A three bedroom detached home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a lounge, a magnificent fitted dining kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, a utility room, a downstairs wc, three bedrooms, a bathroom, uPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage and a lovely rear garden.

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GORNAL WOOD
EAST STREET

A three bedroom detached home that briefly comprises: Reception hall, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen with integrated appliances, utility room, downstairs wc, master bedroom en-suite, two further bedrooms, family bathroom, double glazing, gas fired central heating and a pleasant rear garden with distant views.

£164,950

MILKING BANK
BRELADES CLOSE

A three bedroom detached home that briefly comprises a reception hall, lounge, a magnificent fitted dining kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, three bedrooms, bathroom, uPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating and a lovely rear garden.

£162,950

LOWER GORNAL
GARDEN WALK

A three bedroom detached cottage that briefly comprises a split-level lounge with an inglenook fireplace, a spacious dining kitchen, three bedrooms, a bathroom, gas central heating, off road parking and a small walled garden.

£159,950

SEDGLEY
WARREN DRIVE

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a lounge, a dining room, a fitted kitchen with integrated appliances, three bedrooms, a bathroom, uPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage and a pleasant rear garden.

£156,950

HURST HILL
STRATHERN DRIVE

A three bedroom end of terraced home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a reception hall, a lounge, a dining room, a breakfast kitchen, a utility room, a guest cloakroom, three bedrooms, a shower room, uPVC double-glazing where stated, gas fired central heating, a driveway and a pleasant rear garden.

£154,950

WOODSETTON
GRIFFITHS ROAD

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a reception hall, a lounge with an archway leading through to a sitting room, a separate dining room, a study, a spacious breakfast kitchen, a downstairs wc, three bedrooms, a bathroom, gas fired central heating, a 25ft garage and a delightful rear garden.

£149,950

HURST HILL
STRATHERN DRIVE

A three bedroom mid terraced home which is arranged on three floors and briefly comprises: reception hall, lounge, dining kitchen, conservatory, utility room, guest cloakroom, three bedrooms, bathroom, uPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, garage and a rear garden.

£149,950

FAIRVIEW PARK
DIBDALE ROAD WEST

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises: reception hall, guest cloakroom, lounge, superb fitted dining kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, three bedrooms, bathroom, uPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a driveway for two cars and a pleasant rear garden.

£142,950

COSELEY
ACACIA DRIVE

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises: Reception porch, reception hall, lounge, separate sitting room with an archway leading to the dining area, a superb fitted kitchen, downstairs shower room, three bedrooms, a bathroom, uPVC double glazing (where stated), gas-fired central heating and a pleasant rear garden.

£139,950

HURST HILL
STRATHERN DRIVE

A two bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a lounge, a superb fitted kitchen with open access to a spacious conservatory, two bedrooms, a bathroom, uPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a driveway that extends to the side of the property and a pleasant rear garden.

£121,950

LOWER GORNAL
GROSVENOR ROAD

A two bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a spacious lounge, a superb fitted dining kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, two bedrooms, a bathroom, a uPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a rear garden and off road parking at the rear of the property.

£113,950

GORNAL WOOD
BANK ROAD

A two-bedroom mid terraced home that has been recently refurbished to a particularly high standard. The property briefly comprises: reception porch, a spacious lounge; a brand new fitted dining kitchen, two bedrooms, a bathroom, uPVC double-glazing, a driveway and a lovely rear garden.

£111,950

SEDGLEY
LOMOND ROAD

A three bedroom end of terraced home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a lounge, a fitted dining kitchen, three bedrooms, a bathroom, a separate wc, uPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating and a rear garden.

£99,950

TO LET
SEDGLEY

We are pleased to offer this quaint two bedroomed cottage situated on a popular residential road and close to Sedgley village centre. This lovely home benefits from two nice reception rooms with feature fireplaces, a fitted kitchen with some appliances and a bathroom with shower. On the first floor are two double bedrooms plus access to a loft room suitable for storage or similar. To the front of the property is a neat paved path and neatly laid borders. The property has an easily maintained rear garden.

£550 pcm

TO LET
UPPER GORNAL

A beautifully presented two bedroomed terraced home with many original features. Situated in a popular residential area with pleasant views and within easy reach of all local amenities. The property comprises a lovely lounge with coal effect gas fire, pleasant dining room leading to kitchen with appliances and downstairs bathroom. Two large bedrooms are situated on the first floor. The property has a secluded rear garden.

£550 pcm

TO LET
UPPER GORNAL

We are pleased to have this stunning refurbished Victorian two bedroomed house to let. This property has been sympathetically restored to a high standard and benefits from two lovely reception rooms leading to a newly fitted kitchen with appliances, and modern white suited bathroom with shower. On the first floor are two double bedrooms. To the rear of the property is a neat rear garden. We strongly recommend early viewing of this property.

£525 pcm

TO LET
PENN

This lovely one bedroomed first floor apartment is available to let. This fashionable accommodation boasts a large lounge leading to compact kitchen. A large double bedroom and a neat shower room are also offered. The premises are ideally placed on a bus route to Wolverhampton city centre and are close to all local amenities. The premises are securely monitored at all times. Laundry facilities and on site activities are available to residents and ample off road parking. Please note this apartment is available to over 55s only

£525 pcm

TO LET
LOWER GORNAL

This lovely newly built two bedroomed semi-detached is on the market to let and has been expertly presented and would suit professional couple. The property has off road parking and a neat rear garden. To the inside of the premises, it briefly comprises and smart lounge, a fully fitted kitchen/diner and downstairs wc. On the first floor are two bedrooms and a family bathroom with shower. To appreciate this lovely home we recommend viewing.

£525 pcm

TO LET
SOVEREIGN HEIGHTS

This lovely two bedroomed first floor apartment is available to let. This fashionable accommodation boasts a large lounge with French windows, fully fitted kitchen, a double bedroom, a single bedroom and a family bathroom. There is allocated parking and secure access. This apartment would suit a professional couple or single. Viewing recommended.

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GORNAL WOOD

MAPLE DRIVE

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•Decking •Driveway & Garage •Gateway To Further Enclosed Driveway

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LOWER GORNAL

AUTUMN DRIVE

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BUFFERY ROAD

•Three Bed Semi Detached •Lounge/Dining Area •Fitted Kitchen, Bathroom •Conservatory •Separate WC •Driveway And Garage •Garden To The Rear •Gas Central Heating •Double Glazed Where Stated

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NETHERTON

BAPTIST END ROAD

•Two Bedroom Mid Terrace •Two Reception Rooms •Kitchen & Breakfast Area •Ground Floor Bathroom •Gas Central Heated System •Double Glazing •No Upward Chain

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BRIERLEY HILL

LEYS ROAD

•Three Bedroom Semi Detached •Two Reception Rooms •Kitchen •Shower room/wc •Gas Central Heated •Double Glazed Where Stated •Front And Rear Garden with access to the canal •Driveway

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TIVIDALE

•Two Bedroom Detached Bungalow •Lounge & Kitchen •Gas Central Heating System •Double Glazed Where Stated •Front And Rear Garden •Driveway And Garage

£165,000

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BRIERLEY HILL

•Three Bedroom Detached •Two Reception Rooms, Kitchen And Toilet On The Ground Floor •Bathroom And Separate WC On The First Floor. We Advise That Two Bungalows Are Being Constructed To The Rear Of This Property And Site Traffic Should Be Expected.

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TIPTON

•End Terrace •Three Bedrooms •Extended Kitchen •Two Reception Rooms •First Floor Bathroom •GCH & D/G

£500 PCM

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TIPTON

•Three Bedroom Mid Terrace •Lounge/Diner •Breakfast Kitchen •Ground Floor Bathroom •Gas Central Heated •Double Glazed Where Stated •Front And Rear Garden

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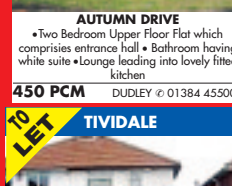


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MITSUBISHI has introduced a new special edition model based on the Lancer.

The new Lancer 1.5 Juro is based on the current Lancer 1.5 GS2 but Mitsubishi is including black leather upholstery and a Kenwood integrated satellite navigation system, which features a reversing camera, as standard.

The model also has Bluetooth, iPod connectivity, climate control air conditioning, electric windows and electric, heated wing mirrors as standard.

The sat nav system is a Garmin unit with controls that can be operated via buttons on the steering wheel.

Protection

Mitsubishi, whose UK base is in Cirencester, Gloucestershire, hopes the petrol Lancer Juro will appeal to a wide range of customers with its high specification level and competitive pricing.

The Lancer 1.5 Juro is available in five colours and prices start at £14,749 on the road including VAT and metallic paint.

The Lancer body structure is built around Mitsubishi's next-generation Reinforced Impact Safety Evolution (RISE) design.

It disperses energy loads during side and rear impacts and controls distortion, enhancing occupant protection and also helps to protect the fuel system during a rear impact.

The Lancer's comprehensive safety package includes an advanced dual front airbag Supplementary Restraint System (SRS) with occupant sensors, standard front seat-mounted side-impact airbags and side curtain airbags, plus a driver's knee airbag.

This vehicle has a five-star Euro NCAP safety rating.

With the improvements to technology and safety the insurance group rating for the Lancer 1.5 Juro is Group 14E.

The Lancer Juro comes with a three-year/unlimited mileage warranty together with a pan-European roadside assistance package.

Service intervals are 12 months/12,500 mile (whichever comes first) and Mitsubishi's competitive Service Plan (MSP) covers the first three scheduled services for £400.

Lancer poised for an upmarket joust



Touches of luxury and a reversing camera too

Left: The Juro is based on the regular 1.5 litre Mitsubishi Lancer but has more prestige features as standard

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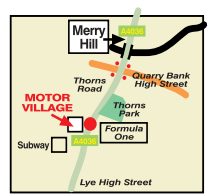
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Manager is stunned by sacking – now search starts for his replacement

Arrivederci Roberto

SACKED Baggies boss Roberto Di Matteo spoke of his “surprise and disappointment” as a search started for his replacement this week.

The Italian was this week on ‘gardening leave’ after being relieved of his duties following Saturday’s 3-0 defeat at Manchester City in the Premier League.

Former Newcastle United manager Chris Hughton, Dudley-born Sam Allardyce and ex-Baggies captain Derek McInnes were among the candidates linked to the job at The Hawthorns.

The sacking followed a run of seven defeats in nine matches that left Albion just outside the relegation zone on goal difference.

The Albion board met late on Saturday and decided unanimously to remove Di Matteo from his job, with first team coach Michael Appleton in caretaker charge.

Di Matteo, aged 40, on Monday said: “I was extremely surprised and disappointed to be relieved of my duties.

“Apart from the first week of the season, the club has not been in the bottom three and has an important and crucial run of home fixtures coming up. I

am disappointed that I don’t have the chance to lead the team through this crucial period and keep them in the league.”

Many Baggies fans backed Di Matteo, with website chatrooms buzzing with criticism of the Albion board.

But in the official statement club chairman Jeremy Peace said the decision was taken to give the club the best possible chance of staying in the Premier League.

He said: “This has been a tough decision but we, as a board, believe it is the right one to give the club the best possible chance of remaining in the Barclays Premier League.

“Our poor sequence of results stretches back more than three months and there has been little sign of it coming to an end.

Difficult

“If this run continues much longer, achieving our goal of retaining our Premier League status will become increasingly difficult. That is why we felt compelled to act now.

“This club’s track record proves we do not take such decisions lightly, with Roberto being only our fourth manager or head coach in almost 11 years.

“We now begin the search to find a new head coach, who will fit into our existing set-up and work under our sporting and technical director, Dan Ashworth, with a view to taking the club forward.

“On behalf of the board, I would like to thank Roberto for his efforts over the past 19 months, par-

ticularly for his contribution towards last season’s promotion success and our very promising start to the current campaign.

“We wish him and his family well for the future. “Roberto embraced the structure in which we wanted him to work and he has been a good colleague. However, we are in a results-driven industry and felt we had no choice but to act now.”

Eddie Newton and Ade Mafe have left the club with immediate effect.

Appleton, who will be assisted by Academy and reserve team coach Keith Downing, began his coaching career with Albion more than eight years ago after injury forced him to retire. He had joined Albion as a player in January 2001 and served as Academy coach and reserve team coach before being promoted to first team coach in June 2009.

Ashworth added: “Staying in the Premier League is of paramount importance and we feel that with the right appointment, we can still achieve our goal.

“In the meantime, first team affairs are in the very capable hands of Michael Appleton. He has gained all the coaching badges available, including the UEFA Pro Licence, and knows the club inside out. Most importantly, he has earned the full respect of the players and everyone else at the football club. “I have worked closely with Roberto since June 2009 and I would like to thank him, Eddie and Ade for all their hard work during this period and wish them well for the future.”

The board says it will make no further comment until a new head coach has been appointed.



Roberto Di Matteo: “I am disappointed that I don’t have the chance to lead the team through this crucial period and keep them in the league”

New boss faces big task, judging by this poor show

Sub Fortune saves his peers against Wigan

AS job advertisements go, Albion’s latest public performance was a shocker.

The defeat that spelled the end for Roberto Di Matteo did little to sell his head coach’s role to potential replacements. Bedevilled with the fundamental flaws that have propelled them down the Premier League table at a rate of knots, Di Matteo’s men ended his reign with a sad display that highlighted the scale of the task awaiting his successor.

Such is the lure of the Premier League, there will doubtless be a queue of applicants vying for the chance to sit in one of the top-flight’s most uncomfortable chairs. But, as Di Matteo discovered for the final time at Eastlands, the mission that awaits the Baggies in the 13 matches to come has become increasingly testing with each demoralising defeat.

The ghosts of previous Premier League failures have returned to possess the current team and Di Matteo leaves behind a group looking paralysed by the spectre of relegation.

For the Italian, the sleepless nights are over. But the man who takes over will know their defensive demons must be exorcised effectively and quickly if a Premier League tale that began with thrilling moments is not to have a grisly ending.

Saturday saw Manchester City birthday-boy Carlos Tevez deliver a captivating performance as leading man, with impressive support from the wonderful David Silva and a swashbuckling display from Aleksandar Kolarov. Albion, with

Manchester City 3 Albion 0

confidence leaking away and errors becoming endemic, rarely threatened to spoil the party.

Over Di Matteo’s sad, final weeks at the helm his charges have done the same things over and over again and apparently expected different results.

Saturday was not all about Albion weakness. They arrived at the magnificent City of Manchester Stadium to find the unpredictable hosts in stunning form and their talismanic captain at the peak of his powers. City’s passing and movement was scintillating while Tevez, on the day he turned 27, was at times simply unplayable.

Hollow

And yet, while the home side were deservedly hailed for the majesty of their play, there was simply no excuse for the way they were aided and abetted by Albion’s all-too-familiar deficiencies.

All three of the striker’s memorable first-half goals owed plenty to his team’s slickness but a great deal to the lack of defensive discipline that has horribly undermined Albion’s attempts to consolidate their fantastic early-season run.

The Baggies left Manchester clinging to a handful of ‘positives’ from another dismal afternoon but – as the Hawthorns board clearly decided – the words of Di Matteo and his players sounded a little hollow.

They pointed to the trio of smart saves they forced from City’s England goal-

keeper Joe Hart. Yet, if near misses had been added to the respective tallies, City would have run out 9-3 winners – Boaz Myhill made some excellent saves while Tevez rattled the woodwork and went close on other occasions.

They highlighted an improved second-half display in which Albion prevented the home side from adding to their all-too-easily-assembled first-half total. But City effectively ‘declared’ at the interval so the second-half clean sheet gained by Albion meant little, especially in view of a glaring miss from the terrific Tevez in the 79th minute.

Sadly for the Baggies, the Argentine terror had been generous in the first half, when he exposed their errors ruthlessly. First they switched off at a quick free-kick, forcing Steven Reid to bundle Kolarov to the ground, then Jerome Thomas inexplicably handled the ball after his side had been carved open for the umpteenth time. Tevez buried both penalties.

In between the spot-kicks came his most magical moment as he side-stepped Jonas Olsson with a spectacular piece of skill before bagging his second. But even that special goal saw Vincent Kompany stride 40 yards unchallenged through the heart of Albion territory.

The second half was a non-event with City never believing that their lead was in serious danger. Long before the game was over Baggies fans’ minds were inevitably turning to a pair of massive home matches against West Ham and Wolves that now loom almost certain to make or break their team’s season.

IN one night, Roberto Di Matteo’s team veered from ill-at-ease and uncertain to offering enough potent bursts of exhilarating attacking football to meet the bottom-line requirement of not losing to an outfit Albion need to keep in the bottom three.

The point was secured by a fine header from sub Marc Antoine Fortune. Had they not suffered another disappointing referee’s call – and ‘disappointing’ is the polite term – on a fairly-clear penalty shout having pulled the game back to 2-2, they still might have landed all three.

But that’s Albion. They remain one of the high-risk teams of the division. They deserve to stay up for the bravery and quality of their football; they might be relegated because of its fragility. Either way, it won’t be boring.

It must be said that in Wigan, they met opponents every bit as willing to play their football on a razor’s edge and the result was a ridiculously open-contest.

The gripping entertainment, which relegated on-loan Carlos Vela’s quiet debut for Albion to a sub-plot, ensured that even as it entered five minutes of added time, very few spectators were heading for the exits. But when it was all over, Albion were pretty much where they had been before kick-off – still with plenty to do to preserve their Premier League

Albion 2 Wigan 2

status. And this despite the dream start of a fifth-minute goal from Peter Odemwinge which gave his team the rare luxury of opening the scoring for the first time in nine league games.

Vela’s arrival from Arsenal and a sequence of seven defeats in eight matches had prodded Di Matteo into some significant changes – Gabriel Tamas and James Morrison were both dropped with Simon Cox given the role to provide the link between the top of midfield and Odemwinge. But it was one of the striker’s more familiar partners, Jerome Thomas, who provided the decisive through-ball following spade-work by Youssef Mulumbu and Cox which Odemwinge raced on to before poking a left-foot finish beyond the advance of Ali Al Habsi.

Soured

This sweet goal was soured by what then transpired.

If a sell-out home crowd, drawn to the stadium by ticket-price reductions, anticipated a relaxed Albion taking control they were to be disappointed as Wigan came back splendidly to open a 2-1 lead by the interval.

Both goals sprang from an all-too-familiar source for Albion fans – the dreaded set-piece – although perhaps each came in mitigating fashion for the Di

Matteo’s men. A foul by Mulumbu on the menacing and slippery Charles N’Zogbia on 20 minutes gave the same Wigan player a crack at goal which defeated Boaz Myhill after taking a deflection off Mulumbu from his station on the edge of the wall. And two minutes from the end of a first period in which Albion had been stretched and strained by Wigan’s offensive, an even better free-kick would give the visitors a deserved lead.

This time, from the opposite side of the pitch, Ben Watson arced a sharp, in-swinging strike towards the penalty spot. Myhill was distracted by the traffic around him as well as the flight of the ball which flew untouched into his right-hand corner.

Albion had suffered no less than they deserved for their play had been strangely-distracted and unconvincing despite fleeting moments of promise from Vela and Di Matteo’s more familiar cast of creative forces – Odemwinge, Thomas and Chris Brunt.

But with captain Brunt providing the lead, and the combative Mulumbu playing a more disciplined role than of late, Albion’s improvement was visible after the break.

The best of the chances fell to Hugo Rodallega, who twice wasted clear opportunities while Myhill stood up to further efforts from Franco Di Santo and N’Zogbia.



George Elokobi and Kevin Doyle celebrate the winner

Molineux joy as Wolves put an end to United’s long unbeaten record

CAN we play you every week?

Not Manchester United, you understand; the chances of Wolves repeating Saturday’s heroic victory are as likely as George Elokobi claiming the second goal as his after Kevin Doyle’s cheek goal in the way of his goalbook resuser.

Arsenal will surely now be looking forward to Wolves’ arrival at the Emirates a whole lot less than they were before Saturday. But what is it about Wolves and the big boys this season?

You could have got 18-1 against the Premier League’s bottom team denying the leaders a club record 30th unbeaten League game before 5.30pm on Saturday.

Those odds rose to 400-1 for Wolves to beat United 2-1 and Elokobi to score his first

Wolves 2 Man Utd 1

League goal in gold and black.

And yet on a crazy day of Premier League thrills and spills, that was exactly how this game unfolded in an unforgettable evening of drama at an ecstatic, rocking Molineux as United followed Chelsea and Manchester City to leave Wolverhampton humbled by a Wolves side who have also humiliated Liverpool at Anfield.

But as Wolves fans celebrated long and hard into the night, they must have wished their team could transfer that infallibility against the big boys to the rank and file of the Premier League.

When Wolves play like they did on Saturday night, it beggars belief that they are where they are, bottom of the

table. But there’s a reason and regular punters will know that for every heroic performance against the Uniteds, Citys, Chelseas and Liverpools this season, there are many more let-downs against the West Hams, Wigans and Blackpools to leave supporters tearing their hair out in frustration.

Harness

Now surely is the time they must harness the collective error-free performance which gave Mick McCarthy three points in his 100th Premier League game as a manager.

Every back-pass and clearance was true, headers and tackles were won convincingly, and, when it came to it, chances were taken. In short, players did their jobs brilliantly. McCarthy had called on his players to drag out a

special response after the meltdown at Bolton three days earlier. And there’s something about the ‘bouncebackability’ of McCarthy and his players that enables these extraordinary feats to happen.

Is it just coincidence that when they have beaten Liverpool, Chelsea and now United they have gone into the game bottom of the table and on the back of a damaging defeat?

It seems as if they have to hit a metaphorical rock bottom before they can come out and perform like super heroes.

But with 10 games out of the remaining 13 against teams in the bottom half of the table, they need to produce more heroics.

Christophe Berra has never had a better game in a gold shirt as he won header after header and clearance after

clearance, the ball seemingly a magnet to him.

Alongside him, Richard Stearnman was a solid, reassuring presence, while on his own up front, Kevin Doyle brought a new meaning to the phrase ‘hardworking’. And after their forgettable evenings at the Reebok three days earlier, Ronald Zubar and Elokobi were imperious.

The Molineux masses deserve a pat on the back here because their noisy support for Zubar, whose suicidal back-pass let in Daniel Sturridge for Bolton’s winner, before kicking off and during the game, provided the platform for a unifying of the ‘Wolves family’.

Elokobi was caught in the build-up to Nani’s superbly-struck third minute opener, but was perfectly placed to power home the equaliser.

Rowe's on the mark but it's just not enough

TWO goals in the space of three second-half minutes saw Stourbridge beaten in testing conditions.

It was the Wiltshire hosts who were first to threaten on 19 minutes as Nick Stanley wriggled his way through the Stourbridge defence before slipping the ball through to Mitchell Bryant on his outside.

His shot was saved by Lewis Solly away to his left although the assistant referee's flag was raised for offside anyway.

A minute later the visitors carved out their best opportunity of the half

Swindon Supermarine 2 Stourbridge 1

as a Ryan Mahon header sent Sam Rock away into the right-hand side of the area but he screwed his low shot past the far post.

Stourbridge again went close on 27 minutes when a right-wing cross from Paul Lloyd was headed away by Mark Robinson towards the edge of the box where Ben Billingham collected the loose ball and fired in a right-foot shot that was parried away by Will Puddy.

On the stroke of half-time Supermarine twice almost grabbed the lead.

In the 44th minute Ben Wells drilled in a cross-shot from the right that deflected off the head of Paul McCone and Solly was forced to make a good save high to his right.

Stoppage

Then in stoppage time Sam Morris let fly with a low drive that drew another fine save from Solly down to his right before Bryant was flagged offside as he looked to reach

the rebound. Eight minutes into the second-half Stourbridge drew first blood as they cleared a Supermarine corner.

A long ball forward from Leon Broadhurst saw Rowe get the wrong side of his marker and beat Puddy on the edge of the area before slipping the ball into an empty net.

On the hour Nick Stanley combined with Robinson down the left flank and a deep cross to the far post saw Jacob Erskine get in a shot that Solly pushed away for a corner.

The resulting flag-kick was

played short and, when the ball was whipped in, Dave Bampton was able to direct a glancing header wide of Solly to equalise.

A couple of minutes later Supermarine struck again as Bryant pulled away from McCone to receive the ball and beat Solly with a firm low drive into the corner.

In the 71st minute Puddy was equal to a turn and shot from Rowe.

In the dying seconds of the game Stourbridge pushed again, but a 25-yard drive from James Dyson was gathered by Puddy.

Hawks wing in with nine goals in best show of the season

Girls League

Gornal Girls 0 Halas Hawks 9

HALAS HAWKS under-12s girls turned in their most impressive performance of the season in this cup game.

In the first half, they scored goals through Bethan Bryan (2) and Sophie Heaselgrave as well as hitting the post twice and creating numerous other chances. Halas began the second half slowly, but went on to score further goals through Louise Tromans (2), Beth Bryan, Lucy Heaselgrave, Amy Plimmer and Isabelle Loveridge.

This was an excellent team performance with the defence, led by Elizabeth Thomas, also playing its part.

Boys League

Haslesowen Town 1 Halas Hawks East 1

The under-nines East fell behind early on when the home side scored after a corner.

Halas came more into the game as the first half continued and equalised from Oliver Miller who put the ball away after harrying a defender into an error.

Both teams competed well in the second half but found the respective keepers in good form. Halas players of the match were Josh Smith & Tom Baker.

Kewford Eagles South 0 Halas Hawks East 3

The under-10s East were rarely threatened in a game they controlled from the start. After missing several chances Halas finally went ahead shortly before half-time with a cross-come-shot from Joshua Parsons. The second half followed a similar pattern and the second goal came after the Kewford keeper spilled a long-range Jayden Wyman shot which Joshua Parsons slotted home. James Rigby scored the third from close range.

Hasbury Rangers 4 Halas Hawks 1

Josh Horton got the under-11s' goal in their defeat away to Hasbury.

Halas Hawks West 3 Perton 3

A see-saw match ended with Perton scoring the final goal to earn a draw against the Halas under-12s West.

The home side created numerous chances in the first half but took only one, through Joe Price.

Perton started the second period on top and were soon leading, but goals from Nathan Postin and their player of the match Jamie Theodosi gave them the advantage once more before the late equaliser.

West Hagley 4 Halas Hawks 3

A goal 10 minutes from time condemned the under-13s to defeat in a lively match.

Hagley scored within a minute of the kick-off only for Jack Guest to level. A lively Halas team then laid siege to the Hagley goal with Tom Bagley guiding the ball over the line to make it 2-1.

Hagley equalised but Halas were ahead at the break after Liam Holmes' inswinging corner found the net.

Halas were pinned back in the second half, Hagley equalising and then sealing the win. Halas player of the match was Tom Bagley.

Warley Borough 1 Halas Hawks 3

The under-14s continued their winning ways with a victory against Warley Borough. Halas goals came from Kane Campbell, Jake Walley and Dan Willetts.

Castle Cobras 1 Halas Hawks 4

A Guy Millward hat trick set up the under-16s for a 4-1 win against Castle Cobras. Ben Hughes scored the fourth.

Dudley are hit for six by their visitors

Dudley 0 Bloxwich 6

DUDLEY ladies hockey were heavily beaten at home by Bloxwich.

Good passing enabled Amie Lawrence to open the scoring before captain Jill Ricketts stepped up to place a flick in the bottom corner.

Goals for Lawrence and Nic Shut-Nullis made it four while Charlotte Mincher ran riot down the left and was also on target twice.

Player of the match Neesh Patel ran the midfield and created several of the goals.

Happy Robins seal their first win since November

Dudley Town 2 Wolverhampton Casuals 0

DUDLEY TOWN secured their first win since November and completed a double over Wolverhampton Casuals.

Croatian Dreniz Bala got his first goal for the club and Alex Perry sealed the victory.

Compared with the large-scale changes seen over the course of the season, manager Neil Perks was able to give the side a more settled feel.

Only Ricki Dudley, who was carrying a knock, was pulled out of the starting XI with his place going to Perry.

The hosts got off to a good start and should have been a goal to the good after just six minutes. Matt Martin broke in from the right flank, delivering a cross that beat Wolves' keeper Mark Evans. But Ricki Martin could only slice the ball over the crossbar as the visitors' goal absolutely at his mercy.

Hapless Hales leak eight in worst loss yet

HAPLESS Halesowen were ripped apart in their worst ever Southern League defeat as Evesham dished out an eight-goal thrashing.

David Accam scored a quick-fire hat-trick for Evesham as the Yeltz's season took a turn for the worse, although they were kept off the foot of the table courtesy of Weymouth's 5-0 defeat at Oxford City, writes David Johnson.

Such a result may have been long feared by the Halesowen faithful, yet few suspected it would be inflicted by modest, mid-table Evesham who have spent most of their season struggling to find the net.

The rout began when a mix-up between home goalkeeper Simon Flower and central defender Jemiah Richards allowed the ball to bounce through for Marcus Palmer who netted on 18 minutes.

Struggling centre-back Emmanuel Ibhador turned Isaac Shaze's cross beyond Flower into his own net for a 29th minute own-goal.

Shaze himself converted a rebound from 10 yards after Accam was left free to make it 3-0 in the 34th minute. With

Halesowen Town 0 Evesham 8

the floodgates open, Accam's low shot from the edge of the area beat Flower for the fourth.

Shaze made it 5-0 with a clever dummy and low 20-yard shot.

The officials may have feared the worst as they ordered repairs to the Halesowen net prior to the second half.

Accam heaped on the misery by strolling through the home defence to notch the sixth. Accam soon completed his hat-trick with a bullet-like volley.

Evesham's Palmer saw a penalty saved but the eighth goal duly arrived from Sam Mensah to complete a demoralising afternoon.

Wolves could have taken the lead themselves when Mike Hancox took advantage of a defensive mix-up but his looping shot just cleared the bar.

There was still time for Matt Martin to strike the bar before Bala had Dudley a goal up on 19 minutes.

Some neat work on the right by Matt Hearsay forced a save from Evans, but the Croatian forward was on hand to tap home his first goal for the club since moving from Mahal.

Calamity

Casuals have recently completed the signing of the well travelled Mark Habershaw from Cradley Town and the big centre forward started to create problems for Dudley's back-line.

His best chance came just before the break when a defensive calamity saw goalkeeper Matt Rodgers roll the ball to the ex-Cradley man.

Relief was felt all around the Dell when Habershaw's shot crashed off the crossbar.

Dudley came back after the break and got their second just after the hour. Perry broke from a Chris Whittaker throw and placed the ball past Evans.

Wolves offered very little from that point.

Hunt for the lost ring heroes

THE search is on for 23 West Midlands fighters who are to be commemorated for their part in making boxing famous at the Shoreditch Town Hall in London.

The Midlands Ex-boxers Association (MEBA) is trying to trace the whereabouts of a list of boxers who appeared at the venue between September 22, 1955 and January 28, 1975.

MEBA has arranged a special ceremony to reunite the 39 men they are looking for and present them with medals during a special ceremony to be conducted by president and former British heavy-weight and light-heavy-weight champion Bunny Johnson at the Portland Pavilion in Edgbaston, Birmingham, on June 4.

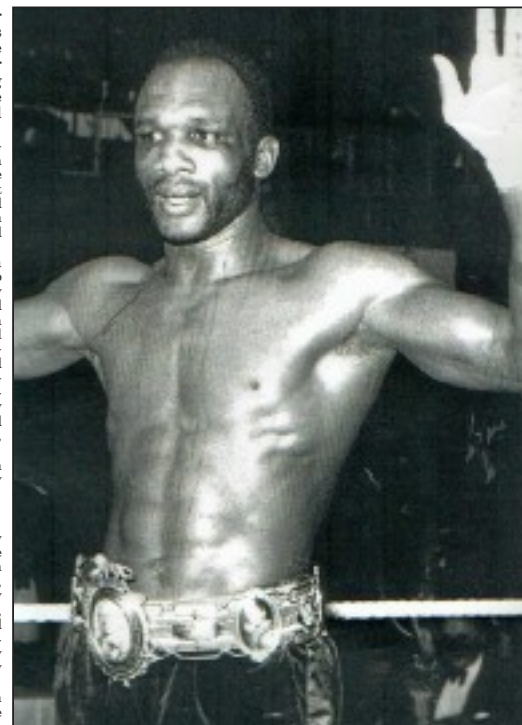
The list includes Colin Spittle, from Brierley Hill.

Passed

Other Black Country boxers to feature are Wolverhampton's Don Bishop, Dave Nelson, Simon Rawlings, Tony Icke, Frank Lannion, Billy Blenevis and Arthur Burley, Smethwick's Harry and Terry Edwards and Billy Alport, from Walsall.

The fighters from Birmingham are Graham Thursfield, Ken Cooper, Brian Cartwright, Barry Cowley, Derek Kiburn, Paul Jarrett, Paul Bromley, Jimmy O'Donnell, Tom O'Brian, Barry Coley, Gordon Corbett and John Rushton.

MEBA vice-chairman Paul PJ Rowson said: "Obviously we are



Former British champion Bunny Johnson will present medals

aware that a few of these gentlemen may have sadly passed away in the years that have followed since they fought at the Shoreditch Town Hall.

"But if we could get as many as we possibly can to the ceremony it would be a lovely day for everybody concerned."

"A lot of effort has gone into this and it would be great if it paid off."

Anybody who knows the whereabouts of any of the listed fighters is asked to call 01299 879 907.

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unbeaten run

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James Jefferson attempts to shrug off a tackler



Stefan Thorp looks to make the ball available



Stefan Shillingford eases through for a try as DK go clear

FLOOD OF POINTS AS DK HIT BACK

Saxons finish just short in quagmire

Sedgley Park 19 Stourbridge 14
STOURBRIDGE SAXONS went down to Sedgley Park, battling not only their hosts but also the worst of the Manchester weather.

Persistent rain left standing water on several parts of a pitch which quickly became a quagmire after play began, *writes Tim Evershed*. Yet both sides managed to put on an entertaining game.

Stourbridge fell behind early in the match after their hosts took advantage of two quick penalties to set up a five-metre lineout from which they drove over prop Daniel Birchall.

The rest of the half was all Stourbridge and they dominated in the scrum and maul. That superiority earned them a string of penalties, three slotted by Alistair Bressington for a 9-7 lead.

Handling

The weather was affecting both sides with the home side having trouble with their handling while the Saxons were struggling to clear their lines with kicks, three of them charged down.

From one such incident, albeit against the run of play, Sedgley centre Richard Wainwright collected on halfway and ran under the posts to give his side a 14-9 lead at the interval. Early second-half pressure set up Michael Dutton for an easy try that extended that lead to 19-9.

Stourbridge were given hope when Matt Riley was sent to the sin bin and during that 10 minutes Liam Wordley was driven over from a line out drive. But the conversion was missed from wide on the right and Stourbridge were forced to run late penalties rather than take kickable shots. Good defence kept them out.

**Lichfield 26
Dudley Kingswinford 52**
DUDLEY Kingswinford survived a scare for the second consecutive week but eventually powered through to see off Lichfield at Cooke Fields.

The hosts led by 15-0 and 21-10 but DK, who narrowly overcame Camp Hill at Heathbrook a week earlier, kept their cool to maintain their 100 per cent record.

DK made a number of changes to their team with the returning Stefan Shillingford, Al Francis and Matt Farrington all included, *writes Ian Bratt*.

From the kick-off the blustery wind played its part and Lichfield enjoyed early possession, converting a fourth-minute penalty to start the scoring.

Held

Gareth Bown saw a penalty held up in the wind as DK struggled to make their mark – not a problem Lichfield were experiencing as they took an 8-0 lead through an unconverted Richard Burton try.

Against the wind DK were struggling to wrestle possession from the home side and another score duly arrived on 20 minutes when fly-half Josh Massey crossed and converted his own try.

A much-needed DK response came soon after and it was captain Pete Knight who provided it after the pack drove to the line.

Just a few minutes later the visitors were there again, with Stefan Thorp touching down although, as with Knight's try, the conversion



The elusive Jak Davis twists and turns in a bid to avoid the Lichfield defence. Pictures: Ian Jackson

failed and DK were still slightly adrift at 15-10. Back came resurgent Lichfield to extend their advantage with two Josh Massey penalties to make it 21-10 at half-time.

DK's 16-game winning run looked to be under threat but, with the wind behind them, they produced their very best form in the second half and ran in 42 points.

Rolling

A Bown penalty got the ball rolling, followed soon after by a try from the same player.

Tom Paulson was driven over to extend Lichfield's lead to 26-18, but within 12 minutes DK were just a point behind thanks to Tui Asi Pito's rampaging try.

Two more Bown penalties gave DK a five-point lead, duly extended by two blistering tries in the space of a minute by Jon Higgins and Stefan Shillingford.

With just a minute to go James Jefferson touched down to add gloss to the scoreline, with Bown converting for a somewhat flattering 52-26 victory.

No Butts: Carolians so close to a win

**Barkers Butts 33
Kidderminster Carolians 30**
KIDDERMINSTER Carolians went down to an agonisingly narrow defeat at second-placed Barkers Butts – thanks in part to a bizarre try.

The home side grabbed their decisive score from a quickly-taken lineout when the ball bounced off a spectator and back onto the pitch!

But KCs played their full part in an action-packed match 10-10 tries which saw the visitors pick up two bonus points, their first of the season away from home, *writes Martin Easton*.

Barkers got off to a flying start with two converted tries inside the first 10 minutes. KCs looked in big trouble but hit back when Tom Scandrett was tackled just short of the line after collecting his own grubber kick and Andy McLellan was on hand to dot down for a try which he converted.

The hosts then ran in their third try for a 12-point lead but from the restart KCs won a freekick in the opposition 22 to set up a forward drive with backs joining in and centre Craig Wilkinson getting the vital touchdown.

Scampered

Just three minutes later a sparkling passage of play which started with a scrum in their own 22 saw the visitors pass the ball through countless hands before Scandrett scampered over for a try which brought Kidder to within two points.

With the interval approaching a McLellan penalty put them 20-19 ahead and they profited further when the Barkers number eight was sinbinned on the stroke of half-time for a stamping offence.

But the good work was undone by a disastrous start to the second half which saw them miss a presentable penalty and then gift Barkers a breakaway try under the posts, duly converted.

Worse was to follow when the fateful lineout, which should not have been allowed after the bounce off a spectator, caught KCs napping and a try under the posts stretched the home lead to 33-20.

Kidder's running game was causing Barkers problems a plenty and a lovely enterprising move saw hooker Tom Maher surprise the home defence with his pace for a try in the right-hand corner.

Maher then offloaded to prop Carl Whitehead whose try brought it back to 33-30 only for the home side to stand firm.

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